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Births.

ACTON.—February 5, 1902, at Elios, Stafford-street, Stanmore, the wife of H. Acton, of a daughter.

MEDLICOTT.—February 8, at her residence, 14 Ormond-street, Paddington, the wife of W. A. Medlicott, surgeon dentist, of a son.

NAPIER.—February 7, at her residence, Moreton, Mary-street, Longueville, the wife of S. Elliott Napier, of a son.

RIDLEY.—February 2, at her residence, 16 Doris-street, North Sydney, the wife of Cecil Brooke Ridley, of a son.

Marriages.

PURTELL—PRENDERGAST.—February 8, at St. Patrick's, by the Rev. Father Le Rennetel, Patrick John, of Wee Waa, eldest son of Maurice Purtell, Esq., Sydney, to Ellen, seventh daughter of the late John Prendergast, of Clonmel, Tipperary, Ireland.

WILSON—MALONE.—December 18, at St. Francis Xavier's Church, Narrabri, by the Very Rev. Father Hearn, Robert Henry, eldest son of William Henry Wilson, of Maitland, to Sarah, youngest daughter of the late Peter Malone, of Narrabri.

Deaths.

BEARD.—February 8, at his parents' residence, Ebley, Shaftesbury-road, Burwood, Ernest David, youngest and beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Beard, aged 24 years.

BERNHARDT.—February 9, at his residence, 175 Macquarie-street South, Marcus Bernhardt, beloved husband of Hannah Bernhardt, aged 69.

BOLGER.—February 8, 1902, at St. Vincent's Hospital, Alice, the dearly loved wife of John P. Bolger. R.I.P. By request, no flowers.

FOY.—February 9, at Little Bay Hospital, James, dearly beloved son of James and Margaret Foy, and beloved brother of Nellie, Hugh, Bess, Will, and Iris Foy, aged 13 years and 5 months. English and American papers please copy.

GEARY.—January 15, 1902, at Bundaberg (Queensland), Eleanor, relict of the late Godfrey N. H. Geary. R.I.P.

GITTINGS.—February 8, at the residence of her son, Jerningham-street, North Adelaide, Honoria Kate Gittings, dearly beloved mother of Mrs. E. Clarence Wood (Broken Hill), Mrs. T. R. Wallace (Melbourne), J. C. Gittings (Adelaide), and Miss M. K. and Joseph Gittings (Bay View, Goodhope-street, Paddington), aged 62 years. R.I.P.

GRAY.—January 28, at Heilbron, Orange River Colony, Quartermaster-sergeant James Mackey, 3rd New South Wales Mounted Rifles, late of Rosevale, Uranquinty, eldest son of the late Samuel William and Mary Gray, of Omega, Kiama.

GREGORY.—February 7, at No. 40 James-street, Leichhardt, Beatrice Gregory, from the effects of sunstroke, aged 5 years and 6 months.

HOLT.—February 7, 1902, at Wentworth Falls, Frederick Samuel Ellis, eldest son of the late Honourable Thomas Holt, M.L.C., aged 56 years.

LOUDON.—February 8, at 3.30 a.m., at Lenmah, No. 15 Donnelly-street, Balmain, Robert Loudon, formerly of Darling-street, in his 58th year. Interred at Baptist Cemetery, Necropolis.

MARTIN.—February 8, at his parents' residence, 804 George-street, Sydney, Leslie Keith, dearly loved infant son of John and Jennie Martin, aged 3 months.

MULLIS.—February 8, 1902, at his parents' residence, 104 Curtis-road, Balmain, Horace Wingate, second and youngest son of H. N. and L. Mullis, aged 6 months and 15 days.

PURCHASE.—February 8, at Manly, Samuel Purchase, late of Somerset Nursery, Parramatta, aged 52 years.

TODD.—February 7, at the residence of his parents, Tiverton, 65 Railway-terrace, Lewisham, Norman Perry, the dearly loved son of William A. and Margaret A. Todd, aged 6 years and 6 months.

TUNKS.—February 9, 1902, at his late residence, Harris-street, Harris Park, Parramatta, Charles Tunks, in his 71st year.

In Memoriam.

CHALLIS.—In sad but affectionate remembrance of our son and brother, who died February 9th, 1901, at Johannesburg, South Africa.

The evening shades were closing round,
The night came creeping on;
With the silent angel came
To guide our loved one home.
And in a strange and lonely grave
That dear one's form is laid,
Where none of his beloved ones
Can look upon that spot.

Inserted by his loving parents and sisters and brothers.

GLEDHILL.—In loving memory of my dear brother, Arthur Gledhill, who died 9th February, 1901, aged 19 years. Inserted by his loving brother, Ernest.

HOLDER.—In sad but loving memory of our dear brother, Sam, who was accidentally run over on February 9th and died on February 12th, 1901, aged 25 years. Inserted by loving sisters, Clara and Ethel.

HOLDER.—In sad but loving remembrance of my dear brother, Samuel James Alexander, who departed this life February 9, 1901. Inserted by his loving sister Adelaide Holder.

KELLY.—In sad and loving memory of my dear father, Patrick Kelly, who departed this life February 9, 1900.

It's just two years ago to-day, how I remember well,
I stood beside his dying bed to bid a long farewell;
My mournful eyes I watched him pass away,
Although his life we craved I could not make him stay.

Inserted by his loving and only son, J. P. Kelly.

KELLY.—In sad and loving memory of my dear father and grandfather, Patrick Kelly, who departed this life February 9, 1900, aged 70 years.

He thought when he wished us good-bye
To leave us for ever, his life to die.
What we sought but his love in this wide world to mourn,
Nothing returned but his poor helpless form.

Inserted by his loving and only daughter-in-law and two grandchildren, Mrs. J. P. and Alice and Mary Kelly.

KINNELEY.—In sad but loving memory of my dearly beloved brother, William, who departed this life February 9th, 1899. Inserted by his loving brother, James Kinneley. R.I.P.

MAINWELL.—In loving memory of our son and brother, Walter Edward, who died February 10, 1901. Inserted by his loving parents.

We think of thee in so many ways, we cannot write them here;
We try to think it is but a travel, your absence will not be long,
And some day unexpectedly our Walter will return.

MERRETT.—In loving memory of our dear son, James, who departed this life February 10, 1901, aged 10 years (from pain to ease). Inserted by his father and mother, James and Amelia Merrett.

MERRETT.—In fond and loving memory of our dear brother James, who departed this life February 10, 1901, aged 19 years (from weariness to rest). Inserted by his sister and brother-in-law, Maud and Bob Clements.

MERRITT.—In loving memory of my dear brother, James (Jimmie), who departed this life February 10th, 1901, aged 19 years and 2 months. There is sweet rest in Heaven. Inserted by his loving sister, Daisy.

MOORE.—In loving remembrance of our dear father, James Stephen Moore, who departed this life February 8, 1895. Inserted by his loving daughters, Mary Jane, Grace Collier, and Jennie Moore, Victoria-street.

O'CONNOR.—In sad and loving remembrance of my dear son and our brother, Gilbert William, who died February 10, 1901, aged 26 years. Inserted by his loving mother, sisters, and brother.

RUSHBY.—In sad and loving remembrance of my dear son, William Albert Rushby, who was accidentally killed at Balangara February 10, 1898. Inserted by his loving mother.

SIM.—In loving memory of my dear wife, Mary, who died February 9, 1899. Inserted by her affectionate husband and family, John Sim, sen.

SIM.—In affectionate remembrance of my dear wife, Lizzie, who departed this life February 9, 1898. Dead, but not forgotten. Inserted by her sorrowing husband, John Sim, jun.

TORNING.—In loving memory of Andrew John (Andy), who was accidentally killed at Wellington, N.Z., on 9th February, 1899. Inserted by his mother, brother, and sisters.

WHITFIELD.—In sad but loving memory of our dear daughter, Mary, who died on the 9th February, 1900, aged 25 years. Never forgotten. Inserted by her loving father and mother, J. and T. Whitfield. Home papers please copy.

WHITFIELD.—In loving memory of our dear sister, Mary, who died 9th February, 1900. Dearly loved, sadly missed. Inserted by her loving brothers and sisters, Jake, Ike, John, William, Violet, Florrey, and Alice.

WHITFIELD.—In sad but loving memory of our dear sister, Mary, who died 9th February, 1900. Leaves may wither, but memory never. Inserted by her loving sister and brother-in-law, J. and H. Smith.

Return Thanks.

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BUNDABERG	Arawatta, Tuesday, 5 p.m., Feb. 11
GLADSTONE	Arawatta, Tuesday, 5 p.m., Feb. 11
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TOWNSVILLE, CAIRNS	Mareeba (cargo only), Saturday, Feb. 15
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FROM SYDNEY, foot of Erskine-street.—A.M., 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 1 p.m., 2.15, 3.15, 4.15, 5.15, 6.15, 7.15, 8.15, 9.15, 10.15.

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FROM SYDNEY, foot of Erskine-street.—A.M., 6, *6.30, 7, 7.30, 8.5, 8.35, 9.10, 9.40, 10, 10.30, 11, 11.30, 12, 12.30, 1.15, 1.45, 2.15, 2.45, 3.15, 3.45, 4.15, 4.45, 5.17, 5.50, 6.17, 7.15, 8.15, 9.15, 10.15, 11.30. SATURDAYS.

FROM SYDNEY, foot of Erskine-street.—6, *6.30, 7, 7.30, 8.5, 8.30, 9.10, 9.40, 10, 10.30, 11, 11.30, 12.15, 1.15, 2.15, 3.15, 4.15, 5.15, 6, 7.15, 8.15, 9.15, 10.15, 11.30. Sundays as above.

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Legal Notices.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of HARRIET GAY LEWIS, late of Mudgee, in the State of New South Wales, Married Woman, deceased, intestate.—NOTICE is hereby given that the accounts in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Queen's-square, Sydney, and all persons having any claim on the said Estate or being otherwise interested therein are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the twenty-first day of March next, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon and inspect the same, and if they think fit object thereto; or otherwise if the said accounts be not objected to the same will be examined by me and passed according to law. Dated this 17th day of January, 1902. T. W. GARRETT, Registrar. ALFRED SIDNEY PERKS, Proctor, Paton.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of ALBERT JONES, late of 127 Darlington-road, Darlington, and recently of Watson's Bay, in the State of New South Wales, Gentleman, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to MARY JONES, the Widow of the said deceased; and all notices may be served at and all claims sent to the office of the undersigned. ROBERT BRANDRETH PARRY, Proctor for the Applicant, 177 Pitt-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of MICHAEL COFFEY, late of Cooma, in the State of New South Wales, Licensed Victualler, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to MARY ANN COFFEY, the Executrix named in the said Will; and all Notices may be served at the office of the undersigned. BLAXLAND and MAWSON, Proctors for the Applicant, Cooma. By their Agents, ICETON and FAITHFULL, 86 Pitt-street, Sydney.

Lost and Found.

COLLECTOR Lost Sat. mor., bet. Alexand'a, Eveleigh Lth. Purse, ab. £2. R. 10s. H. P. Beaumont, 16 Oxf.-st.

LEFT Waterloo tram, sat. Parcel of Silks, midday Sat. Reward returning to 282 Cleveland-st., op. P. School.

LOST, Gd. Chain, Cameo attach., Fri., bet. Darling Pt.-rd. and William-st. Rew. Lansdowne, Darling Pt.-rd.

LOST, Sat. morn., 8.15 boat fr. Mort's Dock, Gd. Cross, attac. to pin. Rew. Balmain N.S.S.F. Co., Erskine-st.

LOST, Sunday, young Galah PARROT, reward. 12 Leinster-st., Paddington.

LOST, Friday afternoon, Milson's Point railway station, Parcel, cont. white silk blouse, rwd. Railway Station.

LOST small Black-and-tan TERRIER, answers name Guess, reward. 38 Durham-st., Stanmore.

LOST, heavy Gold RING, initialled M.A.W. Burwood, Ocean-st., W'hahra; or Phegan, Walsh, Waverley-rd.

LOST, Saturday night, Criterion Theatre, Gold Brooch, 2 ruby hearts and kaffir dia. 292 Crown-rd., Ultimo.

LOST, in Bondi, large oval Gold BROOCH. Reward. 26 Penkivil-st., Bondi.

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LOST, in Waterloo, Gold BROOCH with large Amethyst. Rew., C. King, 46 Schimmel-st., Waterloo.

LOST, Collie SLUT, white and tan, leather collar, answers to Bonnie; rew. 3 Norfolk-st., Newtown.

LOST, 2 Gold RINGS one harp in centre, other 5 diamonds; good reward. 450 Elizabeth-st.

LOST, Irish Terrier, with chain on collar. Apply Mr. Satchell, Vahrepa, Shaftesbury-rd., Burwood.

LOST, Mosman, Gold Bar BROOCH, reward. Eton, Gladstone-avenue.

LOST, Fri. night, bet. Edgecliff-rd. and Roslyn Gar., Gold Chain BANGLE. Reward. 49 Roslyn Gardens.

LOST, between Wynyard-square and North Sydney, Metal Belt, set greenstones. Reward. 25 York-st.

LOST, Gold Cable BANGLE, bet. Little Coogee and Double Bay. Reward. 15 Glenview-st., Paddington.

LOST, bet. King-st. and Ocean-st., double tram, Opal SCARFPIN. Rewd. Macquarie House, Macquarie-st.

LOST, Gd. Brooch, bet. Murray and Co.'s and Burwood rly. sta., Thur. last. Rewd. Murray and Co., Burwood.

LOST, the Morning Headache, now that I stick to DICKENS' WHISKY.

LOST, Red HANDBAG, containing purse, keys, gloves, Saturday night, reward. Mrs. SALISBURY, 5 Jersey-terrace, Crown-street.

LOST, 9th inst., 10.30 a.m. train, between Milson's Point and Warrawee, a Gold WATCH-CHAIN and Pendant. Finder will be substantially rewarded. R. O. R., Herald Office.

LOST, at Watson's Bay, Sunday, 9th, about 1.15 p.m., lady's Fur NECKLET, opposite Palace Hotel. Handsome reward. 27 Walter-street, Paddington.

LOST between North Shore Hospital and Ridge-street, Gold Bar BROOCH with Opal. Please return to Hospital or FAIRFAX and ROBERTS.

LOST, a WARRANT for 1 qr. cask of brandy. Finder please return to North Star Hotel, corner of Pitt and Liverpool streets.

LOST, between Mount-street and Kurraba-road, North Sydney, Shark's TOOTH, gold-mounted, 5th instant. Finder rewarded on returning to Buranda, 9 Kurraba-road, N. Sydney (off Alfred-street).

LOST, Redfern station, Lady's Brown BAG, containing Manicure Set and Gold Sleeve Links, &c.; finder handsomely rewarded. A. SAUNDERS, Watchmaker, &c., 815 George-street.

LOST, near Waterloo, a Gold LOCKET, containing Lock of Hair. Reward on returning to 451 Bourke-street, Surry Hills.

LOST, in a 'bus, between Circular Quay and Mark Foy's Lady's Gold BANGLE, with Neutral Bay ferry ticket attached; reward. Apply Orendon, Raymond-road, Neutral Bay.

REW.—Lost, Bot. Gar., Sund., Handbag, Purse, cont. money, g. chain. Ardrossan House, c. York, Marg. sts.

REWD.—Lost, Sun., bet. Margaret-st., Bot. Gardens, Cres. Brooch, pearls, turq. Ardrossan, York, Marg. sts.

STRAYED, young Collie PUPPY, in Redfern, brown and white, old scars on face and neck. Reward. Wiringulla, Victoria-street, Ashfield.

FOUND, Geneva Lever WATCH, in George-st., Sat. morning. Apply 452 Kent-st., city.

FOUND, a small Leather BAG contain. money. Owner have by giving descrip. F. Gillett, 112 Wells-st., Rfn.

Calls and Dividends on Shares.

NORTH BROKEN HILL SILVER-MINING COMPANY, No Liability.—NOTICE is hereby given that all Shares in the above Company FORFEITED for the non-payment of the SEVENTH CALL of SIXPENCE per Share will be sold by public auction on TUESDAY, 11th day of February, 1902, at 11.45 a.m., at the Stock Exchange, Melbourne, unless previously redeemed. By order, RICHARD S. FORD, Manager. 60 Queen-street, Melbourne.

THE SILVERTON TRAMWAY COMPANY, Limited. Equitable Building, 220 Collins-street, Melbourne, 7th February, 1902. NOTICE.

An Interim Dividend of One Shilling and Sixpence (1s 6d) per Share will be payable at the Union Bank of Australia, Sydney, on and after SATURDAY, 1st MARCH, 1902.

By Order of the Board, W. MACNICOL, Secretary.

The Transfer Books of the Company will close at 4 p.m. on Friday, 14th February, 1902, for above Dividend.

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HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.

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TO-MORROW, TUESDAY, AT 2.30 P.M.

25 SUPERIOR FRESH COUNTRY HORSES. 25

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction as above, on account Mr. JAMES DEVITT, Brownlow Hill, Camden, 25 Upstanding Light Harness and Saddle Horses, principally broken, in good condition, suitable for general harness and hackney work.

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60 HEAD HORSES. 60

HILL CLARK and CO. are instructed to sell by auction as above, on account of Mr. R. HENESS, Emu Bosm., 30 Head of superior Colts and Fillies of the well-known 3 HR brand, to which the special attention of Coloneis, Vanmen and Busmen and Exporters is directed. The 3 HR brand is well and favourably known in this market, and the present draft is classed as a specially good lot.

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DENT and PERRY will sell by auction, at Darling Harbour, THIS DAY, at 8 o'clock, Wood, &c.

DENT and PERRY will sell by auction, at Redfern Station, THIS DAY, at 9 [illegible] Hay, Straw, Chaff, Maize, Pumpkins, Potatoes. DENT and PERRY, Auctioneers, 151 Sussex-street.

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THIS DAY.

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THIS DAY, at 11 o'clock sharp.

JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 247A Pitt-street, the Unredeemed Jewellery pledged at the Park-street Loan Office (J. RALPH'S), 14 Park-street, comprising Single Stone, Half-hoop, and Cluster Diamond Rings. Gold and Silver Chronographs, Levers, and Waltham Watches. Gold Alberts, Muff Chains, Fobs, Necklets, &c. Diamond Brooches, Earrings, Lockets, Studs, &c. Engagement, Gem, Keeper, and Wedding Rings, Gold Links, Solitaires, Trinkets, Bangles, and Brooches, &c.

TO DEALERS, PRIVATE BUYERS, and OTHERS. HYAM [illegible] have received instructions to sell by auction, on the Premises, THIS DAY, Monday, at 11 a.m., on the Premises, No. 401 Riley-street, Surry Hills, near Devonshire-street, HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS. [illegible] NO RESERVE. TERMS, CASH. Auctioneer's Office, [illegible]

ENMORE.

TO-MORROW, at 11 O'CLOCK.
UNRESERVED SALE OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS, [illegible] MARION-STREET.
COTTAGE PIANO, [illegible] SUITES, HALLSTAND, EBONY [illegible] TABLE, WRITING DESK, Black and Gold OVERMANTEL, SIDEBOARD (with [illegible] MARBLE CLOCK, PICTURES, WRITING DESK, [illegible] Double and [illegible] BEDSTEADS, WARDROBES, CHEST of DRAWERS, [illegible] Kitchen Utensils, Garden [illegible]

H[illegible] and CO. have received instructions to [illegible] PUBLIC AUCTION, at LISGAR, 40 MARION-STREET, ENMORE, TO-MORROW, at 11 a.m. INSPECTION on MORNING OF SALE.

NEXT THURSDAY'S AUCTION SALE at the ROOMS will be CONTINUED ALL DAY, as we are PACKED FULL of GOOD SECOND-HAND FURNITURE.

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MURDOCH and Crampton will Sell, This Day, at 21 [illegible] Furn. and Effects.

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J. HAYNES [illegible] instructions [illegible] SMITH [illegible] Household Furniture [illegible] Manly, on TUESDAY, February 11th, 1902, at 11 a.m. NO RESERVE. TERMS, CASH.

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TO-MORROW,
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2 Cases HALF-TESTER BEDSTEADS, 6ft. 6in. x 5ft. 6in.

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TO-MORROW, TUESDAY, at 11 a.m.

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Splendid Dining and Drawing, also Bedroom and Breakfast-room Appointments.
VERY HANDSOME 5ft. SIDEBOARD.
LEATHER DINING SUITE, in good order.
Superb Walnut Double Bedroom Suite.
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Under instructions from Mrs. ROSINA FITZ-STUBBS, in consequence of her relinquishing housekeeping.
The whole of her HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS, of superior quality, including
BRILLIANT TONED PIANOFORTE, the "Dresden."
BRUSSELS CARPET and SQUARES,
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DINING TABLE,
LUXURIOUS CHAIRS and COUCHES,
DOUBLE and SINGLE BEDSTEADS,
Mahogany and Cedar Chests DRAWERS.
Also
A QUANTITY OF PLATED WARE and KITCHEN UTENSILS,
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The above will be on view on MONDAY, the 10th February, from 10 a.m. till 5 p.m.

THIS (MONDAY) MORNING, at 11 sharp.

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Extended Drawing, Dining, Hall, Single and Double Bedrooms, furnished well throughout, and almost new.
Walnut Drawing Suite, Leather Dining Suite, each 9 pieces
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Latest Singer's Treadle Machine, Hall Stand
Single, Three-quarter, and Double Brass-mounted Half-tester Bedsteads, complete, with best Wire and Kapok Bedding
Three-quarter Cot, all with Blankets, Sheets, and Quilts
Beaconsfield and other Bedroom Suites
Chests Drawers, Combinations, Toilet Pair, Ware
Kitchen and Laundry Utensils
Clear Pine Dresser, Tables, Crockery, &c., as detailed in last Saturday's Herald.

BRODRIBB AND COMPANY, under instructions from T. R. Millar, Esq., will sell THIS DAY as above.
Absolutely No Reserve.
On view up to hour of Sale. Terms, Cash.
Auctioneers' Rooms, 680 and 687 George-street, Haymarket.

TO LADIES AND GENTLEMEN FURNISHING, THE TRADE, AND ANYONE IN SEARCH OF GOOD FURNITURE.
THIS DAY, MONDAY, at 2.30 P.M., AT THE ROOMS, 66 and 68 OXFORD-STREET.

ALF EDGAR has received instructions from Mrs. Denoid, who is relinquishing housekeeping, to sell Without Reserve the whole of the SUPERIOR FURNITURE and EFFECTS of 8-roomed house.
Upright Grand Piano, in walnut case, iron frame, overstrung, trichord throughout, nearly new. Anyone in search of a good instrument should inspect this.
Drawing-room Suite, upholstered in Genoa velvet and silk Plush; Walnut Occasional Tables, Overmantels, Pier Glasses, Axminster Squares, Linoleum, Lace Curtains, &c.; Leather Drawing-room Suite, 9 pieces, massive carved black wood frames; Handsome Sideboard, with bevelled mirror back, plate and linen drawers, shelves, &c.; Hallstand, with bev. mirror back; Bookcase; Heavy B.M. Double Bedstead, with Wire and Kapok Bedding; several other Bedsteads; Massive Bedroom Suite, with double mirror doors to wardrobe, 4ft. Toilets to match; Combination and other Chests Drawers, Sets Toilet ware, Glass-front Dresser, and Lot Useful Furniture. Absolutely No Reserve.

THIS DAY, MONDAY, FEBY. 10TH, AT 11 O'CLOCK.
To Wholesale Merchants, Boot Sellers, Painters, Dealers, and others.
IMPORTANT SALE AT WALKER'S STORES, DAWES POINT.
Under instructions from the Bank.
30 cases E. and Co. over S in Diamond of Day and Martin's Blacking and Creams, also 1 ton Champion's White Lead in 28lb. kegs, 3 cases Matches, 1 case Cigarettes, 30,000 (in bond).

H. LEVY (under instructions from the Bank) will sell by auction at Walker's Stores, Dawes Point, end of Milton Terrace, the above goods in first-class order, totally unreserved. Terms, net cash.
N.B.—For full particulars see last Saturday's Herald.
Auctioneer's Office, 135 Regent-street, city. Tel. 19 G.

THIS DAY, half-past 2.
Upright Grand PIANO (Wilmer)
4 Oil Paintings
Singer's Sewing Machine, high-arm, improved
Four Bedsteads and Wire Mattresses, Wardrobes, Chests Drawers, Marble-top Washstand and Ware
D.R. Suite of Furniture
Dining Tables, Austrian Chairs, Oddbits, Kitchen Dresser
Safes, Cutlery, Glassware, Kitchen and Laundry Utensils.

JOHN M. CANTY will sell on the premises, Hazeldene, Dora-street, Hurstville, close to railway and fire station.

THIS DAY, February 10th, at 11 a.m.
On the Premises, Evans-street, near Weston-street, Balmain.

A. O. JENKINS has received imperative instructions to sell HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE and EFFECTS as above, THIS MORNING.

THIS DAY, 2.30 p.m.—LEAN will sell by auction, at Petersham Arcade, Parramatta-road, Household FURNITURE, Chairs, Table, Bedstead, Bedding, Chest Drs., Marble Washstand, Set, Kitchen Utensils, Sundries.

ORDER OF SALE OF SHARE and SUNDRY PROPERTIES, to be OFFERED BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at the ROOMS, 133 PITT-STREET, at half-past 11 a.m., NEXT WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12th, 1902.

1 SHARE Civil Service Co-op. Soc.	
KENT-STREET.	Stone and Brick Premises, Nos. 190 and 192 Kent-street.
STANMORE.	Residence, known as Brushgrove, No. 160 Stanmore-road.
NORTH SYDNEY (Deceased Estate).	Building Site, Rosalind and Edwin streets.
WILLOUGHBY (Deceased Estate).	Block of Land, fronting Borlaise-street.
LIVERPOOL (Deceased Estate).	Half Interest in 126 Acres, Parish of Holdsworthy, frontage to George's River.
WENTWORTH FALLS (Deceased Estate).	Block of Land, main Bathurst-road.
FORBES.	Peach Grove Orchard, 18½ Ac., frontage to Lachlan River.

HARDIE and GORMAN, Auctioneers.

BLAKEHURST, NEAR KOGARAH.

TANASARI.

A Very Attractive WATERSIDE RESIDENCE and its beautifully laid out GROUNDS, SEVEN ACRES IN EXTENT, fronting the WATERS of GEORGE'S RIVER, at the head of SHIPWRECK BAY, just above Tom Ugly's Point, commanding magnificent views of the neighbourhood across to Sutherland.
Tanasari is built of brick on stone foundation, with verandah and balcony in front, and contains hall, drawing and dining rooms, breakfast-room, 5 bedrooms, dressing-room, servant's room, bathroom, workroom, china closet, pantry, storeroom, kitchen and cellar, 2 tower-rooms; detached weatherboard stabling, coachhouse, and man's room, laundry, and buggy shed. Boathouses on the water frontage.
*** The property is within easy distance of the city via Kogarah and Carlton.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, have received instructions from Captain JAMES to sell by auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 14th FEBRUARY, at 11 o'clock,
The above highly-improved WATER-FRONTAGE RESIDENCE, GEORGE'S RIVER AT BLAKEHURST. (6411)

RANDWICK HEIGHTS.
Eligible Properties in this Attractive Suburb, in close proximity to highly-improved Residences.
1. A COMFORTABLE RESIDENCE, known as Barton, fronting AVOCA-STREET, at the corner of CUTHILL-STREET, and opposite a Reserve along which the tramway runs. A complete property with extensive stabling premises. Barton is substantially built and handsomely finished, and contains verandah and balcony front and rear, hall, 6 rooms, bathroom, pantry, kitchen, and laundry, detached billiard-room (handsomely painted and decorated), brick stable (two loose boxes), coachhouse, man's room, harness-room, with loft over.
THE LAND has 147ft. frontage to Avoca-street (east side) and 110ft. to the south side of Cuthill-street, with lane entrance at the rear.
2. FIVE Valuable BUILDING SITES, comprising Lots 20 to 24, sec. 2, PEARCE ESTATE, having a total frontage of 206ft. to the BELMORE-ROAD, depth 120ft. along WARATAH-AVENUE, and extending to a lane at the rear, IN ONE OR MORE LOTS. Plan on view at the rooms.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd. (in conjunction with Abbis and Co., Waverley), have received instructions from the owner, who has returned to squatting pursuits, to sell by auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 14th FEBRUARY, at 11 o'clock.
The above Property at Randwick. (6410)

CITY PROPERTY.

KENSINGTON-STREET,
A few yards off George-street West, and abutting on to TOOTH'S BREWERY PROPERTY.

1. A Shop and Dwelling, No. 1 Kensington-street, built of brick (cemented) on brick foundation, containing shop, 6 rooms, bathroom, and kitchen, land 30ft. x 60ft.
2. Three Two-story Houses, Nos. 27 to 31 Kensington-street, built of brick (cemented) on stone foundation, containing each 3 rooms and kitchen, shed of wood, land 50ft. x 60ft.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 14th FEBRUARY, at 11 o'clock.
The above City Property.
Messrs. DAWSON, WALDRON, and GLOVER, 173 Pitt-street, Solicitors to the Estate. (6430)

BELMORE-ROAD, RANDWICK.
Rapidly coming to the front as a business centre, a few yards south of Alison-road.
BAKER'S SHOP and DWELLING, built of brick (cemented) on brick and stone foundation, with awning in front, and containing Shop, 4 rooms, kitchen, bakehouse (fitted with oven), and flour room; detached shed of wood. Land 20ft. x 137ft. along a lane and back to a lane at rear.
By order of the Mortgagee.
CHENHALL and EDDIE, Solicitors, 60 Castlereagh-street.
Auction Sale, FRIDAY, 14th FEBRUARY, at 11 o'clock.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd. (6418)

DARLINGHURST FREEHOLD,
close to Darlinghurst-road and Macleay-street.
PAXO, a Detached VILLA RESIDENCE, No. 5 ROSLYN-STREET, off Darlinghurst-road, built of brick on stone foundation, with verandah (tiled) and balcony in front, and containing 6 rooms, 2 servants' rooms, bathroom, pantry, kitchen, and laundry; also a two-story HOUSE known as The Retreat, fronting Kellett-lane, built of brick on stone foundation, with verandah and balcony in front, and containing 5 rooms, kitchen, and laundry. The Land comprises two portions, a triangle having 119ft. to Roslyn-street and 47ft. to Kellett-lane; and Allotment 25ft. to Kellett-lane x 45ft.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell by auction at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 14th February, at 11 o'clock.
The above Property at Darlinghurst. (6409)

BLUE'S POINT, LAVENDER BAY.
1 ROOD 17½ Perches, or thereabouts, Blue's Point-road, adjoining Public Wharf, and having a frontage of about 115ft. to Blue's Point-road, running up to the Public Wharf. Rear line to lane is about 128ft. Jetty with overhead tramway, 3 stone cottages, two large stores of iron, &c., office and weighbridge.
Harbour Trust Regulations allow for 21 years' lease of Reclamation Land and Jetty on moderate terms, and thus would be secured a VALUABLE WATER FRONTAGE for Coal, Timber Merchants, or Shipping Companies.
TORRENS TITLE.
TERMS AT SALE.
AUCTION SALE, FRIDAY, 14th February, 1902, at 11 o'clock.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited. (6429)

EVANS-STREET, WAVERLEY.
a few yards north of tram in Macpherson-street.
No. 10, a detached COTTAGE of brick (tuckpointed front) on brick foundation, with verandah (tiled) in front, and containing hall, drawing and dining rooms (folding doors), breakfast-room, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, pantry, kitchen, and washhouse. Land 40 x 142ft.
Messrs Chenhall and Eddie, Solicitors, 60 Castlereagh-street.
Auction Sale, FRIDAY, 14th FEBRUARY, at 11 o'clock.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd. (6416)

CLEVELAND-STREET, REDFERN, corner of Great Buckingham-street.
A key position in a great thoroughfare.
TORRENS TITLE.
24 FEET 11 INCHES FRONTAGE, by depth of 99ft. along Great Buckingham-street, back to a lane. This valuable corner site could be applied for several profitable uses, and it is just opposite the city boundary.
AUCTION SALE, FRIDAY, 14th FEBRUARY, at 11 o'clock.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd. (6436)

BY ORDER OF THE EXECUTORS OF THE ESTATE LATE Mr. R. ANDERSON.
1. MARGARET-STREET, NEWTOWN. — Two-story Residence, LASSWADE, No. 16, of brick on stone, front cemented and painted, verandah and balcony in front, balcony at rear, containing half-hall, 6 rooms, kitchen, pantry, washhouse with bath, stable at rear, near King-street, land 29 x 119 feet.
2. KENT-STREET, NEWTOWN.—Four COTTAGES, Nos. 1 to 7, of brick (painted) on stone, iron roof, each verandah, 3 rooms, kitchen and washhouse combined, rentals £83 4s yearly, land 56ft. 2in. x 119ft.
Lot 3.—CAMPERDOWN.—FOUR COTTAGES, Nos. 148 to 154 AUSTRALIA-STREET. They are of brick, fronts cemented and painted, verandahs in front, and each containing hall-hall, 3 rooms, kitchen, and copper, gas, sewer, city water. The land has 68ft. frontage by 91ft. Rental £98 12s per annum.
Lot 4.—CAMPERDOWN.—COTTAGE, No. 151 DENISON-STREET. It is of brick, with stone front, verandah, and containing hall-hall, 3 rooms, kitchen, and copper. Land 10½ft. x 82½ft. back to lane at rear. Rent 7s 6d.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Limited, will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 14th February, at 11.30 a.m., The above.
C. M. BOYCE, Esq., is Solicitor of the Estate. (6427)

KENTHURST.
Parramatta District.
40 ACRES LAND, being portion No. 180, partly improved as orchard and orangery, fronting road front and rear. The improvements comprise small dwelling of wood, about 5 acres oranges and lemons, 3 acres summer fruits and 2 acres passion vines, never-failing water supply by tanks, &c. It is occupied by Mr. Chalmers, and is situate about 14 miles from Parramatta and 9 miles from Pennant Hills. Torrens title.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by PUBLIC AUCTION, at the ROOMS, PITT-STREET, SYDNEY, on FRIDAY, 14th FEBRUARY, at 11.30 a.m., the above. (6426)

ULTIMO INVESTMENTS.
Opposite the Homes of Miss Harris and J. Harris, Esq.
LOT 1.—EIGHT HOUSES, of brick, each verandah and balcony in front, and containing severally 4 rooms and kitchen, viz.:
Nos. 440 and 442 Jones-street.—TWO 2-story Houses.
43 and 45 Burlinson-street.—TWO 2-story Houses.
305 and 303 Crown-road.—TWO 2-story Houses.
44 and 46 Burlington-street.—TWO 2-story Houses.
Rental, £213 14s per annum.
In one or three lots.
Leasehold, 56 years to run at £31 4s yearly.
LOT 2.—CROWN-ROAD, &c.
55 years to run at £10 yearly.
HOUSE, No. 297 Crown-road, of brick, hall, vdh. and bal., 5 rooms, kitchen, bathroom, stabling &c.
2 HOUSES, Nos. 36 and 38 Burlinson-road, each 4 rooms, washhouse &c.
Rental, £93 12s yearly.
AUCTION SALE FRIDAY, 14th February, at 11 o'clock.
(6340) RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd.

PYRMONT.
Close to the Darling Harbour Railway Terminus
TWO DWELLINGS, Nos. 81 and 85 MURRAY-STREET, at corner of Bunn-street, built of brick on stone and brick foundation. The former contains balcony in front, 4 rooms, kitchen, and washshed, and the latter 2 rooms and shed. Also, Wooden Stabling fronting Harwood-lane. Land 60ft. x 89ft. back of Harwood-lane. Leasehold, 74 and 75 years. Ground rental, £17 per annum.
Chenhall and Eddie, Solicitors, 60 Castlereagh-street.
Auction Sale, FRIDAY, 14th FEBRUARY, at 11 o'clock.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd. (6417)

BURWOOD.
BY ORDER OF THE MORTGAGEE.
"CRAIGMOUNT," a DETACHED RESIDENCE and Grounds, on south side of BELMORE-ST., between Shaftesbury-road and Burwood-road; only 4 minutes from railway station. It is of brick, slate roof, verandah in front, and containing hall, 5 rooms, 2 attic rooms, 4 rooms, bathroom, kitchen, pantry, and washhouse of weatherboards, stable and shed. Sewer, gas, city water. LAND. 150ft. frontage to the south side of BELMORE-STREET, depth 200ft.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 14th February, at 11.30.
The above, to be sold, and on easy terms.
KEY at Auctioneers' Rooms. (6300)

DULWICH HILL,
within easy distance of the city by electric trams.
LANGWOORNAH.
A FAMILY RESIDENCE, fronting HERBERT-STREET, with grounds extending back to Yul-street, situate between Wardell-road and Fairfowl-street. Land, 100ft. to Herbert-street with a good depth through to Yule-street to which it has 50ft. frontage. Torrens title.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by auction, at the Rooms, Pitt-street, on FRIDAY, 21st FEBRUARY, at 11 o'clock.
The above Property at Dulwich Hill. Full particulars in a future issue. (6420)

ST. PETERS.
SUBDIVISION SALE on the ground of that excellent block corner of COOK'S RIVER-ROAD, SAMUEL and LYMERSTON STREETS.
Tram stopping-place at the spot.
ALLOTMENTS to SUIT BUYERS.
TITLE TORRENS; TERMS, 10 per cent. deposit, balance over three years at 5 per cent. interest.
LITHOGRAPHS OBTAINABLE.
AUCTION SALE on THE GROUND, SATURDAY, 22nd FEBRUARY, at 3 p.m.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd. (6350)

MORTGAGEES' SALE.
AT THE ROOMS, 313 PITT-STREET.
TUESDAY, 11th FEBRUARY, at 11.30 a.m.

NORTHWOOD, Lane Cove River.	Lot 71 of the Sea Bright Estate, 78 feet 3 in. frontage to North-wood-road, depths 117 feet 5 in. and 126 feet 6 in. respectively. Torrens Title.
SANS SOUCI, Rocky Point-road.	W.B. Cottage, iron roof, lined inside, containing hall, 4 rooms, kitchen, washhouse, front and back verandahs; also detached W.B. Building, used as post-office. Land, 40 feet x 100 feet to a lane 20 feet wide. Torrens.

ALSO ON ACCOUNT OF THE OWNER.

THORNLEIGH, Thornleigh-street.	Lots 8 and 9 of Sec. 5, Thornleigh Township, 80ft. x 120ft. Torrens Title.

WATKIN and WATKIN, Auctioneers.

AT THE RISK AND EXPENSE OF THE FORMER PURCHASER.
Lots 3 and 4, Sec. 12, WYOMING ESTATE, GOSFORD. —Frontages to Thornley-street and Wyoming-road. Area 3-2-15, with improvements thereon, said to be W.B. Room, fencing, portion cleared and planted.

WATKIN and WATKIN, by order of the original Vendors, will offer by auction, at their Rooms, 313 Pitt-street, Sydney, on TUESDAY, 11th February, at 11.30 a.m.
The above. The Title is Torrens.

BOTANY.
Detached COTTAGE, brick and weatherboard, on stone foundation, having a frontage of 61ft. by depth 135ft., containing 8 rooms and offices, coachhouse, stables (61 x 12); also splendid Allotment, 61 x 155. Freehold.

MEDCALF and CO., Redfern, have received instructions from Mr. A. G. FLETCHER (who is leaving the State) to sell on the grounds, High-street, North Botany, on SATURDAY AFTERNOON, at 2.30.

Public Notices.

"JELSTONE" COLOURING, the new Wall Colouring, 1s 2d per packet, to be mixed with cold water. Send for Shade Card. All Shopkeepers. H. H. GROTH and CO., Wholesale Agents, 523 George-street.

LOWEST INTEREST IN AUSTRALIA.— £1 LENT for 6d per MONTH on jewellery, diamonds, silver, plate, &c., at TRENN'S MONT DE PIETE, 108 Market-street, between Pitt and Castlereagh streets.

Town Hall, Sydney, 29th January, 1902.

ADULTERATION OF MILK BY ADDITION OF PRESERVATIVES.
NOTICE is hereby given that Prosecutions, under the City Council's Bylaws, for the ADULTERATION OF MILK BY THE ADDITION OF PRESERVATIVES, will be WITHHELD for a period of SIX (6) WEEKS from this date, after which prosecutions will be instituted as provided by law.
THOMAS H. NESBITT, Town Clerk.

GAS COOKING DEMONSTRATIONS. RALEIGH'S NEW PARAGON.
SCHOOL OF ARTS, PITT-STREET.
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2.30 p.m.
GRAND DISPLAY OF HIGH-CLASS PASTRY COOKING.
TWO NEW PARAGONS IN OPERATION, ALSO AN ENGLISH GAS STOVE.
THE GREAT RING TEST.
THE STARTLING SWISS ROLL TEST.
COOKING WITHOUT GAS.
"RALEIGH'S PARAGON" HAS COME TO STAY, AND DON'T YOU FORGET IT.
LADIES USING ENGLISH STOVES INVITED.
M. RALEIGH, INVENTOR, 539 GEORGE-STREET.

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Indents should be accompanied by cash remittances or bank letters of credit, to ensure full trade discounts. Account sales of produce under consignment rendered promptly, and net proceeds remitted or invested to order.
The shipping department has been largely developed of late years, and where indents are sent direct to manufacturers the shipment and insurance of the goods is effected upon the most favourable terms.
B. S. LLOYD and CO., 40 King-street, Cheapside, London, E.C.

I, THE undersigned, JAMES DICKSON, hereby APOLOGISE to JOHN BENNETT, Secretary of Masters and Engineers' Association, for the slanderous expressions made use of by me regarding him to the effect that he was a "Blackleg," and I desire to unreservedly withdraw the said expression, and express my regret for having used the same.
Dated this seventh day of February, 1902.
JAMES DICKSON.
Witness: WM. SIMPSON, Solicitor, Sydney.

WEATHERBOARD COTTAGES are made by us daily. We Mortise and Tenon them by the very latest Machinery, and supply them all ready for erection.
BEST GALVANISED ROOFING IRON.

5ft.	6ft.	7ft.	8ft.	9ft.	10ft. per sheet.
1s 7d	1s 11d	2s 2d	2s 6d	2s	3s 6d 26 gauge.

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GEORGE HUDSON and SON, Timber Merchants and Importers, Regent-st., Redfern.

THE CHILLAGOE RAILWAY AND MINES, LIMITED.
Shareholders in the above Company are notified that the Transfer Books and the Application List for Shares in the NEW CHILLAGOE RAILWAY AND MINES, LTD., will close at the registered office of the Company, 30 Queen-street, Melbourne, on TUESDAY, 11th February.
By order of the Board,
C. L. HEWITT, Secretary.

N. S. W. AMATEUR FISHERMEN'S ASSOCIATION.
"A. NARKER HANDICAP."
MEMBERS are requested to attend at the Rooms, 250 Pitt-street on TUESDAY NIGHT, February 11th, at 8 o'clock, to hear particulars of this novel handicap.

THE RAFFLE OF THE ESTEY ORGAN, in connection with ST. VINCENT'S COLLEGE BAZAAR, has been POSTPONED until JUNE 1st.

WATCHES CLEANED, 2s; best English Mainspring, 2s; Repairs guaranteed one year. NOLAN, TIME, and CO., 202 George-street, Haymarket.

AT ALL CHEMISTS YOU CAN OBTAIN LOMBARDIA, the ONLY CERTAIN CURE for PILES. It never fails. Give it a trial.

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NOTICE of Removal.—Mason Bros., Limited, beg to announce their removal to 95 York-st.

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(For Continuation see Index to Advertisements.)

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BEECHAM'S PILLS

are universally admitted to be worth a Guinea a Box for Bilious and Nervous Disorders, such as Wind and Pain in the Stomach, Sick Headache, Giddiness, Fulness and Swelling after Meals, Dizziness and Drowsiness, Cold Chills, Flushings of Heat, Loss of Appetite, Shortness of Breath, Costiveness, Scurvy and Blotches on the Skin, Disturbed Sleep, Frightful Dreams, and all Nervous and Trembling Sensations, &c. Every sufferer is earnestly invited to try one box of these Pills, and they will be acknowledged to be

WORTH A GUINEA A BOX.

For Females of all ages these Pills are invaluable, as a few doses of them carry off all humours and bring about all that is required. No female should be without them. There is no medicine to be found equal to Beecham's Pills for removing any obstruction or irregularity of the system.

For Weak Stomach, Impaired Digestion, and all Disorders of the Liver they act like magic, and a few doses will be found to work wonders on the most important organs in the human machine. They strengthen the whole muscular system, restore the long-lost complexion, bring back the keen edge of appetite, and arouse into action with the rosebud of health the whole physical energy of the human frame, and one of the best guarantees to the nervous and debilitated is, BEECHAM'S PILLS have the Largest Sale of any Patent Medicine in the World. Prepared only by the Proprietor, THOMAS BEECHAM, St. Helen's, Lancashire, England, and sold everywhere in boxes, 1s 1½d and 2s 9d each.

COUGHS, COLDS on the CHEST, BRONCHITIS, ASTHMA, and CONSUMPTION.
Beware of "Coughs"!
Remember! that every Disease has its Commencement, and Consumption is No Exception to this Rule.
HEARNE'S BRONCHITIS CURE,
The FAMOUS REMEDY for COUGHS, BRONCHITIS, ASTHMA, and CONSUMPTION,
has the Largest Sale of Any Chest Medicine in Australia.
Those who have taken this medicine are amazed at its wonderful influence. Sufferers from any form of bronchitis, distressing cough, difficulty of breathing, hoarseness, pain or soreness in the chest, experience delightful and immediate relief, and to those who are subject to colds on the chest it is invaluable, as it effects a complete cure. It is most comforting in allaying irritation in the throat, and giving strength to the voice, and it neither allows a cough or asthma to become chronic, nor consumption to develop. Consumption has never been known to exist where "Coughs" have been properly treated with this medicine. No house should be without it, as, taken at the beginning, a dose is generally sufficient, and a complete cure is certain.
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A FRIEND OF NELSON.

BY HORACE G. HUTCHINSON.

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CHAPTER XVIII.—Continued.

I shook my head. "Fair fight's all right," I said, "but murder—no; and that would have been stark murder."

"Well, 'tis done now, for better, for worse, like a marriage vow. Your friend's gone free, scot free, and, please the piper, we'll hear no more of him. I must get back to my piping blackbirds. It's a better trade than I thought it, this banjo-twanging," and the jolly rascal rattled in his pocket a mighty mass of good coin that they had taken.

"Well, cousin!"

The words came to us from behind. We had talked in a little hollow of the downs, not fifty yards from the continues of the fair. Unnoticed by us as we talked a man had come upon us, his steps unheard on the springy turf. The smuggler at the words jumped so that I could swear, for all his hardihood, his face under the black cork went white. We turned. It was the Prince who stood there smiling, the rest of his party, at a little distance, watching.

"Well, cousin!" he repeated, as the smuggler stood dumbfounded. "I fear I startled you," he continued, as the other said not a word. "Your disguise is good, but you put no burnt cork on your voice. We always said it was a voice to be remembered, long ago, and I have not forgotten its quality. A ring in it struck me when we were a score of yards away, and I bade the rest pass on while I came nearer to be sure my ears had not deceived me. Deuce take me!" and he laughed a merry laugh. "I am pleased to see you have taken to such an honest and artistic calling."

Then the other fellow, with his black face, laughed too; but it was rather a hollow-sounding and forced merriment, very unlike his usual ringing laugh off the chest. He murmured something unintelligible about "Royal Highness—too good," and with a sweep of his ancient hat and an obeisance withdrew to his minstrelsy.

"You have made friends in strange places, sir," the Prince said, a trifle severely, as soon as the smuggler was out of hearing.

"Ay, sir," I quoted, "misfortune maces us acquainted with strange bedfellows."

"Misfortune," he said—"yes. And yet," with a laugh, "there were worse fortune than to fall in with—do you know who it is."

"No, I do not, sir," I answered, "and should be mightily obliged if your Royal Highness could inform me."

"His Royal Highness could," he answered, pleasantly but musingly. "Question is whether his Royal Highness would. No, I will not," he said at length to my disappointment. "Since he himself did not choose to tell you, why should I tell tales? But I will tell you this much, by way of a Sphinx's riddle (you may read it as you can): he is a fellow who, had our marriage laws been a trifle laxer, had not needed to call me sir or highness; and a fellow that, had our criminal law or its officers been a trifle sharper, had been freed of his bar sinister by the grace of the good dexter bar of the gallows-tree. An excellent fellow withal; and the very best of company; needs no more than a hempen collar round his neck to make him perfect; but deuce take me if I'm going to be the means of fitting it there, for the old days' sake. His mother, they say, had the voice of an angel, and this fellow is her true son, whosoever else. Hark to him!—he'd crack heaven's roof."

As if in sheer bravado he was strumming his banjo like a man possessed, and roaring out the plain melody off his great chest in a thunder that crushed all the voice out of any others of his singing birds; so that, finding their little pipes of no avail, they ceased them and stood agape and agrin at him, with the song all to himself, giving it out to the farthest edges of the downs, away above all the other cries and noises of the fair.

"Needs nought but a hempen collar round his neck to make him perfect," said the Prince again with a laugh, as he went off to rejoin his party, leaving me in much amaze at his words, and yet with a feeling that I had been all along convinced that this fellow's birthright, whatever it might be in law, in Nature was no common one. The man-leading qualities come not a little by inheritance, and whose heritage should be more complete than his who derives on the one side from a royal race, and on the other from one who has been used, Orpheus-like, to sway a multitude by the enchantment of song?

Nevertheless, for all his bravado and his furious noise, I observed that no sooner was this one song finished than my friend, in company with his piping blackbirds, as he called them, lost no time in getting under weigh, and a few minutes saw their whole company on the tramp over the downs towards Seaford, and, no doubt, to their cave in Belle Tout Rock. Their going seemed to take much of the fun out of the fair, though there were lights on the downs and much noisy laughter ringing off them long after I had found my own way back to my small kennel in the Middle-street.

CHAPTER XIX.

A pleasant enough place was Brighton for a young fellow at that time, and a pleasant enough change after two or three years of cruising. A week or two would have passed quickly enough, I doubt not, even without the special attraction that the town held for me in the person of the Comtesse d'Estourville, whose grace and beauty appealed to me infinitely more since I heard the pathetic story the Vicomtesse d'Arcy had to tell. I was in a condition that I did not suffer from often—in a mood to analyse my feelings; and this mood was occasioned by the lady whom I had fished out of the sea; and she, too, was the object with which the feelings I sought to analyse were engaged. I found myself going to the assemblies, the routs, the auctions at Raggett's, the promenade on the Steyne, all with a view of seeing her, if I might have such fortune; and, for all that, I found myself suffer a kind of nervousness, a thrill that was not all pain certainly, and yet as certainly was not all pleasure, when I did see her. It is a sense of nervousness I have felt with no other woman.

So I was well content to stay on in Brighton; yet, at the same time did not forget that my purpose in coming thither was a distinct and particular one—to gain, if it were possible, the gracious aid of his Royal Highness in pleading my cause with the Lords of the Admiralty, and winning me the opportunity of doing further service for his Majesty. My request was proffered, it was graciously acceded to; the Prince had bound himself, so far as a Prince is to be bound, to give me what assistance lay in his power. It might seem that my purpose in coming to Brighton was accomplished, and that I might go home and await results. But, striving to look at the position without prejudice, which was not easy for me in the circumstances, it appeared to me that this would be no very wise course to take. I preferred to remain in Brighton, deciding that it were the better wisdom to keep myself before his Royal Highness's eye, as a means to remind him, without offence, of the promise he had given me, and remembering the ancient maxim, "Out of sight, out of mind." Nevertheless, the days went on, and nothing visible was done, so that when the kind old Vicomtesse asked me, ten days or so after my interview with the Prince, "And how goes it with the ship ye came to seek?" I was forced to answer, with a little shame, that that good ship was as far to seek as ever.

"And ye have put your trust in princes, after a' the Psalmist warned ye against it?"

"And who else have I that I should put my trust in?" I asked, a little bitterly.

"The Prince is the one to aid ye, that is true, an' he would," she admitted.

"He said that he would," I answered.

"Ay, he said! And who is to keep in mind of what he said? Have you been at pains to jog his memory or find out what is being done?"

"I asked of Major Blomfield," I replied, "and he said 'nothing.'"

"Ay, ay, and he said 'nothing'; and that's just what he was likely to say, and just what was likely to be done—'nothing.' Now," she said, turning full upon me and speaking pointedly, "do ye know what it means having a friend at Court?"

"Do I know what it means?" I replied. "Forgive me, madame, but I do not quite understand what you yourself mean."

"Eh, well, my meaning's this—that ye have a very good friend at Court if only you would make some use of that same friend."

"I, madame, a friend at Court? No, indeed."

"And yes, indeed," she insisted, "a very good friend at Court and one whom the Prince is always glad to see and listen to, one who could jog his memory a score of times a day, on the Steyne, at the assembly, wherever—ah, I see you take me now—it is she." The old lady was diabolically cunning. I felt that I had put out a tell-tale blush of delight at this hinting of a certain lady as my very good friend, for I knew that she referred to the Comtesse d'Estourville, who, to tell the truth, was somewhat more often in the Prince's company and more sought by him than I altogether cared for.

"She?" I said, with embarrassment. "Oh, it is not possible. I could not presume, I should not dare, to ask her help."

"Ye would not presume, ye would not dare? Hoots, these be words to use. Do you know what the Comtesse d'Estourville is? She's a woman, and a young one."

(To be continued.)

THE WOOL TRADE.

Although the busy season is very near its close, the business done during the past week under notice has been important, the sales at auction and privately being reported as 25,546 bales. Only 20,238 bales, however, were sold from the auction-box, and as 27,096 bales were catalogued the withdrawals thus amount to a little more than 25 per cent of the offerings. It is only fair to say that the state of the market has had very little to do with this result, which cannot be called satisfactory. With wool selling so freely as it is doing at present, nothing like this proportion should be passed in. For those who really wish to realise in this market to best advantage before competition becomes lessened by the departure of some, at least, of the buyers, a reduction of their limits will be necessary. Although the class of wools which have been available during the week has not, except in odd instances, been of high enough standard to cause the noisy and excited bidding which was such a noticeable feature of the earlier sales, still competition has been very regular, seedy, burry, and wools of uncertain yield being alone subjected to irregularity. Anything showing quality above the average along with fair freedom from fault has sold at the best rates of the season, when the extra condition of most of the wools now being offered is taken into consideration.

The highest price for greasy merino wool was 10½d, this figure being obtained for 16 bales black wool—always a specialty—marked GHG over Iandra, from Young, of good character and deep even colour. Apart from this the top figure was 9¾d, paid for 13 bales wethers of the reversed CAN over New England brand, a wool of very fine quality, fair growth, bright, soft, light, well skirted and free.

Scoured sold to 17½d for five bales super clothing of the LT over Hughenden over Q mark, from Queensland, being very fine, of good bright colour, free and light, and well handled by the Sydney Wool-scouring Company.

Quotations, which are unaltered, are as follow:—

Greasy Merino Skirted.—Extra light, bright, good staple, 9½d to 12½d; good condition, good staple, 7½d to 8½d; medium condition, fair staple, 6½d to 7½d; heavy condition fair staple, 5½d to 6½d.

Greasy Merino Pieces.—Extra light, bright, free, 8d to 9½d; good condition, slightly burry, 7½d to 7¾d; medium condition, slightly burry, 6d to 7d; heavy condition, slightly burry, 5d to 5½d.

Greasy Merino Bellies.—Extra light, long, slightly burry, 6½d to 7½d; good condition, slightly burry, 5½d to 6d; medium condition, burry, 4d to 5d; heavy condition, burry, 3d to 3½d.

Greasy Merino Locks.—Extra light condition, fair staple, 3½d to 4½d; medium condition, 2½d to 3½d; heavy condition, 1½d to 2½d.

Greasy Crossbred, Fine Skirted.—Extra light, bright, good staple, 6½d to 9½d; good condition and staple, 5½d to 6½d; medium condition, 4½d to 5d; heavy condition, 3½d to 4½d.

Greasy Long-wool Skirted, Three-quarters to Purebred.—Extra light, lustrous, free, 3½d to 4d; medium condition, 2½d to 3d; heavy condition, 1½d to 2d.

Washed fleece to 11d.

Scoured Merino.—Extra light, bright, good staple, 16½d to 19½d; good condition, good staple, 14½d to 16d; medium condition, good staple, 13½d to 14½d; heavy condition, good staple, 12d to 13½d.

Scoured Merino Pieces.—Extra light, bright, good staple, 14½d to 16½d; good condition, good staple, 13½d to 14½d; medium condition, good staple, 12½d to 13½d; heavy condition, 10½d to 12d.

Scoured Merino Bellies.—Extra light, bright, good staple, 12d to 15½d; good condition, good staple, 10½d to 12½d; medium condition, good staple, 9½d to 10½d; heavy condition, 7½d to 9d.

Scoured Merino Locks.—Extra light, bright, fair staple, 10½d to 12½d; good condition, fair staple, 9d to 10½d; medium condition, 7½d to 8½d; heavy condition, 6½d to 7½d.

Unskirted or burry, 1d to 1½d per lb. less for all descriptions.

Offerings and sales by the various brokers are as under:—

Brokers.	Offerings.	Sales. At Auction.	Sales. Privately, ex Catalogue.	Sales. Privately, Uncatalogued.	Total.
	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.	Bales.
Hill, Clark, and Co.	1,813	1,284	443	...	1,727
Pastoral Finance Association, Ltd.	3,980	2,836	467	82	3,385
Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited	2,871	1,906	429	503	2,838
Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited	5,829	5,108	243	...	5,351
Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Limited	4,916	3,529	727	776	5,032
John Bridge and Co., Limited	4,112	3,027	630	144	3,801
New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency, Co., Ltd.	2,409	1,690	211	29	1,930
Co-operative Wool and Produce Company, Limited	1,260	842	437	197	1,478
Total	27,096	20,238	3,577	1,731	25,546
Brought forward	433,605	344,497	36,897	34,531	415,925
Total since July 1, '01	460,701	364,735	40,474	36,262	441,471
Correspond'g period of last season	310,432	236,340	28,352	15,986	280,678
Increase	150,269	128,395	12,122	20,276	160,793

This week, when according to the special roster arranged, every broker will offer a catalogue, some 18,000 bales will be put forward, the selling arrangements being as follows:—Monday, February 10: 1, Australasian Mortgage and Agency Company, Limited; 2, Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Limited; 3, Dalgety and Co., Limited. Tuesday, February 11: 1, Co-operative Wool and Produce Company; 2, New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Company, Limited; 3, Hill, Clark, and Co. Wednesday, February 12: 1, Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Limited; 2, Pastoral Finance Association, Limited; 3, Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Limited. Thursday, February 13: 1, John Bridge and Co., Limited; 2, Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Limited. After the last-mentioned date there will be an interval of about ten days, after which the fortnightly series of sales will be inaugurated.

Arrivals for the week are as follow:—

	Bales.
By rail ...	3,415
By sea ...	1,173
Total ...	4,588

The arrivals since the beginning of the statistical year are as under:—

At Darling Harbour railway station:	
From July 1, 1901, to February 5, 1902	479,007
Corresponding period last year	392,603
Increase	86,404
By sea:	
From July 1, 1901, to February 5, 1902	76,973
Corresponding period last year	108,830
Decrease	31,857

The following shipments have been made:—

From Sydney	Bales.
Orubs (s.), to London, February 1	799
Duisburg (s.), to Hamburg, February 1	8,195
Duisburg (s.), to Antwerp, February 1	4,447
Duisburg (s.), to Hamburg or Bremen, February 1	1,530
Duisburg (s.), to Antwerp or Hamburg, February 1	419
Duisburg (s.), to Bremen, February 1	1,726
Macquarie (ship), to London, February 3	8,769
Abergeldie (s.), to Dunkirk, February 4	3,097
Abergeldie (s.), to London, February 4	2,254
Abergeldie (s.), to Antwerp, February 4	1,335
Gulf of Siam (s.), to London, February 4	959
Gulf of Siam (s.), to Bradford, February 4	470
Gulf of Siam (s.), to Antwerp or London, February 4	106
Gulf of Siam (s.), to Antwerp, Bremen, or Hamburg, February 4	33
Port Elliott (s.), to Dunkirk, February 5	4,000
Port Elliott (s.), to London, February 5	1,183
Port Elliott (s.), to Antwerp, February 5	649
Corryvrechan (ship), to London or Hull, February 5	1,504
Corryvrechan (ship), to London, February 5	938
Corryvrechan (ship), to Hull, February 5	719
Kumano Maru (s.), to Japan, February 6	89
Buteshire (s.), to London, February 6	2,516
Total	46,744
Brought forward	390,467
Total from Sydney	437,240
From Newcastle	Nil
Brought forward	36,759
Total from Sydney and Newcastle	474,000
Corresponding period last year	376,196
Increase	97,804

The January series of London sales, which commenced on 21st ultimo, were brought to a close on 5th instant, the market finishing up strongly under good competition. As compared with closing rates of the previous series—November-December—merinos and fine crossbreds showed an improvement of 5 to 7½ per cent., medium and coarse crossbreds an advance of 10 per cent. Of the 192,000 bales available, 92,000 bales were taken by the home trade, 77,000 bales for the Continent, 8000 bales for America, whilst 15,000 bales have been held over. The most satisfactory feature is undoubtedly the modest proportions of the quantity withdrawn, the more so that it is the smallest carry-over during the past nine years. The quantities held over in the January-February series have been as follow:—1894, 41,000 bales; 1895, 52,000 bales; 1896, 22,000 bales; 1897, 44,000 bales; 1898, 20,000 bales; 1899, 19,000 bales; 1900, 57,000 bales; 1901, 95,000 bales; 1902, 15,000 bales.

Half-sovereign reward for recovery metal discs lost in some Grainus Porridge Food Packets.—Advt.

AMUSEMENTS.

HER MAJESTY'S THEATRE—"BEN HUR."

"See now from far upon the eastern road, The star-led wizards haste with odours sweet" wrote no less a poet than John Milton, who, in his description of Christ's Nativity, unhesitatingly drew upon his imagination in order to realise a scene that is only outlined in the Biblical narrative. That which Milton did with due reserve, General Lew Wallace repeated in fuller measure in his romance of "Ben Hur," which opens with a long and beautiful account of all that might have surrounded the birth of the Holy Child. No higher praise can be given the drama produced with so eminent a success at Her Majesty's Theatre on Saturday than to say that in its religious aspect—upon which many playgoers who remembered its American source were uneasy—the wisest reticence, the greatest possible tact, has been observed. Indeed, an almost new note is struck in the opening of "Ben Hur." The religious feeling is so well sustained that the prelude of the Adoration of the Magi resembles nothing so much as a modern version of one of the old miracle plays. For whatever conclusion we may come to upon "Ben Hur" as a drama, it is unquestionably the most superb and artistic spectacle ever presented in Australia. It is not only that the managerial hand turns over page after page of gorgeous and glowing illustration, but all this is allied with music of such importance, and so admirably rendered, that it ceases to be merely incidental, and rises from the position of a handmaid to the acted fable to some such function as that of Narrator in the old oratorios. That is to say, the music is explanatory, and further than that, though by an essentially modern composer, it is undoubtedly classic in spirit. These compositions for "Ben Hur" show Edgar Stillman Kellie, already known here for his clever music to "Macbeth," as a student who knows how to find in the ancient Semitic modes and in the Dorian and Phrygian progressions the special tone-colours demanded by scenes that at one moment deal with the nomads of the East, and at another display all the pomp and chivalry of the western world.

The first reflection excited, then, by Saturday's beautiful representation is that all that money lavishly spent at the dictates of sound artistic judgment can do has been done to create the "atmosphere" of General Lew Wallace's romance. Like the novel, the play tries to tell too much—a great deal too much. But how splendid the setting, how imperial the swell of choral song and stately pageantry, how luscious the contrasts of gorgeous colours in costly Eastern silks and stuffs, and, finally, how solemn the choral tableaux at the end, in which the multitude on the mountain-side shout "Hosanna," as they raise their palm-branches towards the glittering radiance that mysteriously suggests the presence of the Nazarene. Though Saturday's audience was thrown into a frenzy of enthusiasm and delight by the novel realism of the horses galloping in the chariot race, it is this incident in the life of Christ, most reverently removed from the ordinary current of the dramatic action by its presentation as a dream-tableau, that makes the most enduring impression when all is done.

General Wallace's story covers an immense field. Primarily its beauty is derived from its expression of religious faith, and from its explanation of the probabilities in regard to many things scantily treated in the Biblical history. Amidst his studies of customs and costumes, his revelation of pure domestic simplicity and sensuous show, the author makes the lowliest of his readers understand how impossible it was for the Jews of that period to look for a meek and lowly Messiah. The Saviour of such a people, oppressed by fortune, yet great by tradition and talent, must in their eyes necessarily be a King to make armed conquest of the earth, and to right the wrongs so hardly wrought on Judah's sons by proud imperial Rome. Whilst enforcing this idea, and whilst touching upon a score of great questions, General Wallace contrives a romantic story of love and revenge, the figures of which are not always large enough for the enormous canvas upon which the whole is painted. The man whose intellectual calibre enabled him to write so fine a book as "Ben Hur" could not fail to be conscious of this fault. No wonder he hesitated for years to allow its stage adaptation. Mr. William Young, who took the matter in hand, has done wonders with the mass of unwieldy material placed at his disposal. He has, perforce, rejected much of the Biblical portion of the story, though the religious interest, as already hinted, has not been neglected. In the result his "Ben Hur" assumes a form in which the dramatic interest and the opportunities for the actors are alike subordinated to the marvellous sequence of stately scenes, sonorous orchestral pieces, exultant choral numbers, pastoral masques, ballets, marches, and processions. These dazzle the eye and enchant the ear for nearly four hours.

The extraordinary smoothness of one of the most complicated first-night performances that could be imagined did not pass unobserved. Mr. H. H. Vincent is not likely to better this first great piece of stage direction since his return to the Antipodes, for every manager knows how much success may be deserved where it has not always been, as in this case, commanded. "Ben Hur" is compounded of many elements. The spectacular, the operatic, the devotional, the panoramic, and even the sensational are included in this epitome of "everything by starts and nothing long." Hence it happens that the popular voice will be all in favour of the fifth act, showing the Circus at Antioch, where, to a crescendo of stirring music, Messala and Ben Hur are seen racing round the arena in mad career. The Roman, with his scarlet chariot and four noble grey horses, just fails to catch the chestnut and three black steeds of the princely Jew, whilst all the eight extend their necks in the gallop, and rend the air with the wild shock of hoofs. The scene was splendidly managed, the fall of Messala, hurled like Phaeton from his car in headlong descent, caused a fresh sensation, and the cheering can only be described as frantic. Mr. J. C. Williamson and Mr. H. H. Vincent responded to the applause, and as the tumult still continued, the managers brought on the American trainer and mechanist (Mr. Watson), whose energies had been devoted to painstaking rehearsals for six weeks past. Early in the evening the foresight of Mr. Williamson in retaining the chorus recently employed in Italian opera was justified by the rendering of a unisonal theme of infinite sadness, in which the tenors sang an octave above the basses the plaintive eastern melody, with its curious intervals that marked the appearance of the star. Though divided by the curtain from the orchestra, the difficult music here, as throughout, went admirably under Mr. George Hall's baton. A vision of the desert, veiled in the deep azure of the eastern night, was then dimly revealed with the three wise men in prayer. The mystic star appeared, and as it increased in effulgence, the orchestral music approached a climax—a device employed by Haydn in "The Creation" to suggest the rising of the sun, and in the highest degree effective. As the vision disappeared a pianissimo march for orchestra suggested the muffled tread of camels in the sand as the wise men pursue their inspired quest.

Messrs. John Gordon and George Dixon have finely painted the many great scenes which follow. The housetop of the Palace of Hur gives a wonderful sunlit view of the city of Jerusalem, with its innumerable white houses stretching towards the low, bare hills that look scorched in the dazzling glare of full day. The oriental dresses of the actors are suddenly mingled with the scarlet cloaks and golden armour of the Roman guard as, amidst a scene of excitement, the doors are burst in, and the Hur family is arrested for the alleged assault upon the consul. The cabin of the Roman galley Astrea, with men of all nationalities and colours bending at the oars in time to the gong struck by the hortator, proved an absolute novelty to the audience. The movement of the sea ran all through the orchestral music at this point. The composer, it may here be noted, writes for cultivated ears, and there is nothing of the "robustly popular" about any of his work. The attack of the pirates, followed by the wreck, and a great view of the open ocean, with a blood-red sun, against the light of which a rescuing galley sailed to pick up Ben Hur and Arrius, excited general enthusiasm. Ben Hur's visit to the Grove of Daphne and the Temple of Apollo formed the occasion for a charming procession. Shepherds with staves, herdsmen with trumpets, and girls with flowers joined in stately song and dance. Cupid trod a measure, a rustic betrothal was celebrated, and wild Bacchantes in leopard skins, with diaphanous silks of flaming mandarin and yellow, circled round in voluptuous dances, clashing loud cymbals. The closing chorus, and the quaint ballet as the curtain fell, one of several arranged by Miss Minnie Everett, were warmly applauded.

The Sheik's Dowar, an oriental pavilion, striped in red and white, transferred the audience to the glowing East once more, and one of the most beautiful scenes of all revealed a grove of overarching palms on the shores of a moonlit lake. Here Iras strove to win the love of Ben Hur and to pierce the mystery of his life. As already noted, the crowning triumph of the great production was the dream of the sleeping son of Judah, revealing the side of Mount Olivet crowded with palm-bearers. The complicated choruses beginning "Jesus of Nazareth"—choruses that would tax any cathedral choir to render—were beautifully given, and the gravely devotional faces of the singers assisted the remarkable scene to its success.

With so much left undescribed in this drama of music and spectacle, but little space remains to speak of the new English company, which made its Australian debut in "Ben Hur." Mr. Conway Tearle, a handsome and youthful hero, delivered his lines well, and that he was unable to keep a sustained hold upon the audience in the terribly long and difficult part allotted him was not entirely his fault. Ben Hur would try a leading man of many years' experience; but the youthful actor had his happy moments—as in his gratitude to Arrius and his air of absorbed amazement in describing the miracles—and may, on the whole, be congratulated on his debut. Probably the chief artistic success of the evening was made by Mr. Austin Melford as Simonides. The actor made a fine study of the aged Greek merchant, especially enforcing the pathos of the character, and he also exhibited an unusual command of subtle changes of countenance. Mr. F. Lumsden Hare, who has a rich voice, showed weight and authority as the Tribune Arrius, a distinctly good contribution to the cast. Miss Mabel Lane should also be especially mentioned for her dignity and graciousness as the beautiful mother of Hur. Her diction was refined, and the comparative smallness of her part—none of the female characters have very much to do—was regretted. Mr George F. Black, as Ilderim the Generous, proved himself the possessor of a large and resonant voice, and his explosive manner was not at all unsuited to the character of the irascible Sheik. Mr. H. Hamilton Stewart, gorgeous in the golden armour of a Roman officer, was appropriately haughty and cynical as Messala. Miss Ruth Mackay, though a little lacking in distinction of manner, proved a superb-looking Iras, her knee-long plaits of hair entwined with pearls, an Egyptian headdress of gold above her brows, and her special type of beauty exactly suited by the character of the rich oriental costumes in which she successively appeared. There were many minor characters competently filled. Mr. Edmund Gwenn as the tipsy, boastful, mirthful Cecilius, Mr. Frank Hollins as the effeminate Drusus, Mr. W. F. Grant as an almost apostolic-looking Balthazar, Miss May Chevalier as the tender Esther, Miss Rose Musgrove as the gentle Tirzah, and Miss Alma Vaughan as the devoted Amrah were all suitably placed.

There will be matinees of "Ben Hur" on Wednesday and on Saturday.

LYCEUM.—"ON ACTIVE SERVICE."

On Saturday evening there was a large house at the Lyceum Theatre to witness the first production in Sydney of Herbert Leonard's nautical drama, "On Active Service," and the piece was received with decided marks of approval by a not too critical audience. The plot is the stereotyped one of almost inconceivable villainy on the one hand and resolute virtue on the other, and the escape of the persecuted heroine from the various pitfalls arranged by the diabolical ingenuity of confederates in crime. Finally all the principals of the drama are transferred to the Soudan, where after a warm set-to with the Dervishes, British valour triumphs, the villains are shot, and the virtuous hero and heroine are re-united. "On Active Service" is excellently staged, the best set being the representation of the main deck of the Grantham, where the bluejackets go through the cutlass drill with admirable precision, and the middies indulge in a hornpipe. It is hardly necessary to point out, however, that the sentiment so enthusiastically expressed by captain and crew of "Long live our country's cause, and God save the King," is an anachronism. The drama was well presented by the company, and there is a sufficient amount of comedy in the piece to counteract the more sombre portions of the plot.

PALACE THEATRE.

There was a crowded house at the Palace Theatre on Saturday to witness "Why Smith Left Home," which was revived by Mr. Charles Arnold's Comedy Company. The series of clever and amusing complications which terminated in Mr. Smith leaving home were followed with keen enjoyment, and the revival was a distinct success in every respect. The chief character, John Smith, who loves his wife, was taken by Mr. George Willoughby, who cleverly sustained the personal character of Mr. Smith amid his compromising and difficult situations in a way that made him quite the domestic hero of the play. Mr. Charles Arnold, as Count von Guggenheim, who appears somewhat late on the scene when complications have almost reached a climax, "made dem twisted," so much that the added merriment was well nigh overwhelming. Mr. Fred. Lester played the domestically subjugated side and the other phase of General Billetdoux in a highly amusing manner. He was ably supported by Mr. E. W. Thomas as Major Duncombe, whilst Mr. Denton as Robert Walton, Mrs. Smith's masquerading brother, entered spiritedly in the situation which he and his bride of a day (Miss Hope Mayne) found themselves forced to sustain. The ladies of the company were equally successful. Miss Agnes Knights as Mrs. John Smith portrayed charmingly the loving wife, and Miss Bensusan was quite as energetic in the character of Mrs. Smith's aunt, as if she had been the proverbial mother-in-law. In other respects the comedy was well supported by Miss Ada Lee as Miss Smith, and the three domestics were smartly interpreted by Miss Dot Frederic, Miss Hennigham, and Miss Sallie Booth, the last-named, as the "cook lady," exhibiting some of the extreme phases of trades unionism in a satirical but comical aspect. "Why Smith Left Home" will be staged until Tuesday next, when it retires in favour of "What Happened to Jones."

CRITERION THEATRE.—"£1000 REWARD."

Mr. Charles Holloway staged, on Saturday night, a piece called "£1000 Reward" in order to fill in a week's interval pending the production of the melodrama, "A Life's Revenge." No doubt the piece will serve its purpose, because, judging from its reception on the opening night, there is a good deal in it to cause hearty laughter. There is also a duel to the death with knives. The story, detected in the course of watching the prologue and three acts, is that of a chief of coiners, who adds murder, robbery, ruin of wives, and a few other styles of scoundrelism to his numismatic feats, who is shadowed by a clever and a foolish detective, and who is ultimately shot. The development of the plot, however, does not appear to be a matter of vital concern; if it were, even such a capable company as Mr. Holloway has got together might well find difficulty in disclosing its interest. The scenery was appropriate, and included the interior of a music hall, on the stage of which some variety items were given.

THE TIVOLI THEATRE.

Three new artists appeared at Saturday's performances at the Tivoli Theatre—Miss Nellie Randall, a lady whose forte is the serio-comic line of business and dancing; Mr. Charles Pastor, a laughing comedian; and Mr. Leon Roche, a baritone vocalist. Miss Randall was well received, and had to submit to the inevitable recall. Mr. Leon Roche was at one time a member of the Carl Rosa Opera Company, and his contributions to the programme decidedly enhanced its merit. The other performers, Mdlle. Lotty, Miss Jennie Opie, the Cassell sisters, and others whose names have been on the bill for weeks past, made the afternoon's matinee and the evening's performance worth attending.

EMPIRE THEATRE.

There were good houses at the Empire Theatre on Saturday afternoon and evening, when Messrs. Fuller presented a complete change of programme. The bill presented was of the variety kind, and served to introduce two debutantes—Professor Beckford, who does some smart things in oil paintings, and Miss Tessie Stainton, a serio-comic singer. Both artistes were well received. Others who contributed to an enjoyable entertainment were Messrs. Watkins, M'Kisson and Kearns, Herberte, Stevens, Sylvain, John Fuller, the Warsaw brothers, and Misses Ida Roslyn, Hettie Warden, and Amy Blackie.

TOWN HALL ORGAN RECITALS.

The organ recital at the Town Hall on Saturday night by the city organist, Mr. Arthur Mason, was held under very encouraging conditions. The attendance greatly exceeded the average, and the varied selection of music presented was heard with appreciative interest. Mr. Mason opened with Mendelssohn's famous "Wedding March," and by request bracketed "The Question" and "The Answer" (Wolstenholme). One of the best efforts of the city organist, and certainly the most favoured, was the beautiful prelude to "Lohengrin." The descriptive details were admirable, the muted string effects being conspicuous in the orchestration. This item was enthusiastically encored. Mr. Mason also played a transcription from "Faust," and a military march by Schubert. The vocalists of the evening were Master Athol Booth and Miss Alice Braund. Mr. E. Stevenson also played two selections on the violin.

Yesterday afternoon over 2000 persons were present at the free recital of sacred music given by the city organist in the Town Hall.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS' AMATEUR ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.

The thirteenth annual meeting of the Public Schools' Amateur Athletic Association was held at the Girls' High School, Castlereagh-street, on Friday evening. Mr. P. J. Nelligan (vice-president) occupied the chair. The attendance numbered about 100. The chairman moved the adoption of the annual report, which gave a short account of the annual sports meeting held on the Agricultural Ground in September last. As regarded swimming, the enrolment of members in the various school clubs exceeded 10,000. Attempts had been made for provision of free baths for the children, but so far only two suburbs—Randwick and Balmain—enjoyed this privilege. The sum of £500 appeared on the educational estimates for the encouragement of this art in the city. Classes for teachers were formed at various centres for life-saving work, the result being eminently satisfactory. Several schools had taken up the work, and it was hoped that their example will be followed by all school swimming clubs. The Life-saving Society provided instructors free of charge.

The report was adopted with an addition giving the names of the winners of several events.

Mr. Jones (hon. treasurer), in moving the adoption of the balance-sheet, alluded to the financial stability of the association, which had a good balance in hand. The balance-sheet was also adopted.

Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—Patron, Hon. J. Perry, M.L.A. (Minister for Public Instruction); president, Mr. J. C. Maynard (Under-Secretary); vice-presidents, Messrs. F. Bridges (Chief Inspector), W. M'Intyre, Colonel Paul, Messrs. M. Willis, E. Banks, S. Bent, and J. D. St. Clair Maclardy, W. Broome, P. J. Nelligan, F. Garden; committee, Misses Golding and Perry, Mesdames Adrain and De Saxe, Messrs. Paradise, Newton, Maloney, F. Mannell, J. Broome, C. Broome, J. Strong, J. Lynch, Jenkins, R. J. Spiers, and Quarter-master-Sergeant Smith; treasurer, Mr. W. Jones; general hon. secretary, Mr. D. C. Hook.

A vote of thanks was passed to the outgoing council for their work during the year, and special mention was made of the labours of the executive, and of Mr. D. C. Hook (hon. secretary), and Mr. Jones (hon. treasurer).

HORTICULTURAL ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting of the Horticultural Association of New South Wales was held at the Queen's Hall [illegible] night, Mr. J. H. Maiden, F.L.S., occupied the chair. A very fine exhibit of cactus dahlias was made by Mr. F. Longhurst, consisting of some 13 varieties, for which a special cultural certificate was awarded. Mr. James W. Clay tabled an exhibit of grapes and some new amaryllis blooms.

Mr. A. M'Millan delivered an interesting lecture on "Rambles in the Lower Andes."

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MACDOUALL STUART AND THE OVERLAND TELEGRAPH LINE.

By ERNEST FAVENC.

The placing of the statue of Macdouall Stuart amongst those of his fellow-explorers in the niches of the Lands Office naturally recalls recollections of the man and his work, the work which has become so nearly related to this generation from his track across Australia having become the pathway for the overland telegraph line, which for so long was our only means of communication with the outside world.

Stuart's exploration work was peculiar of its kind. He stuck to one route persistently until at last, at the third attempt, he found the small isolated waterhole in the scrub which enabled him to gain the head of the coastal waters and thence the northern coast. These repeated endeavours of Stuart's along the same line of travel led to his having an intimate knowledge of a central route across the continent almost to the verge of the main range or watershed, and this intimate knowledge was of great service to South Australia when she entered upon the construction of the overland telegraph line. To compare Stuart's work with that of Burke and Wills is absurd. For any knowledge of the country passed over—free as it was from all the difficulties that beset Stuart—the public of that day were indebted to the relief parties sent out in search of the missing explorers. On the other hand, Stuart's track was, so to speak, a well-defined high road, the physical features of which were all well marked and described. That under other circumstances, and in other portions of the continent, Stuart's three trips over the same country might possibly be considered as waste of energy and material, is a statement that goes without saying; but it must be remembered that Stuart's was not an ordinary geographical exploring expedition to examine unknown country. He had set himself a task—to cross the centre of Australia—and Fate ordained that he should go about it in the way that afterwards best served the great work of constructing the overland line.

If Stuart had not succeeded in his last attempt one of the main features of this continent would have been altered. Queensland would have been first in the field to obtain the terminal cable station in the Gulf of Carpentaria; and whether the transcontinental line, as we now know it, would ever have been constructed is a question which it is impossible to answer. Certainly, as it now stands, we can regard it as a glorious monument to Macdonall Stuart—more glorious than a statue of stone or bronze. It may be said that he gave his life for the route, for he returned from his last trip a mere wreck of a man. He, the one-time type of the hardiest bushman, had to be carried back to the settled districts in an improvised litter.

Owing to the knowledge of the country obtained by Stuart the South Australians had a fair idea of the colossal nature of the undertaking they accepted on behalf of Australia, and the chance they had of success. That they did succeed is owing to the wonderful energy and perseverance thrown into the work. Mistakes were plentiful, and some of the stories of the construction days are worth preserving; but those times have long since passed, and nearly all of the men who helped to build the line have gone over to the great majority. When I first made its acquaintance, twenty-three years ago, there were numerous men still employed who had been on the construction party, and plenty of old romance still clung to the line. Evidence of the haste with which it had been constructed was yet observable in the wonderfully crooked poles that had been used. Although not many miles away were forests of beautifully straight and tall mulga, the nearest sticks that even remotely approached the perpendicular had been used, and the result was scarcely symmetrical; but the messages were carried through safely and rapidly.

There existed a curious angle in the line in those days, now I presume long since straightened out. Some miles south of Daly Waters was a portion of the line known as ———'s Folly. Two parties were working, under different surveyors, one south and one north, and one would have thought that a meeting would not be a hard thing to negotiate, but when they got abreast of each other they found themselves separated by about four miles of easting and westing. Time did not allow of correcting the blunder, so an east and west line was run between the two points.

The introduction of iron poles was an added joy to the lives of the aborigines. Before, they had found solace in cutting the binding wire from the insulators to make fishhooks of; now they found out that the foot plates of the iron posts made excellent tomahawk blades. The wet season was generally the time chosen for obtaining these. When all the country was bog and mire a few stalwart blacks would loosen the earth round the foot of a post and then commence to rock it. In the muddy state of the soil this rocking soon took effect, and gradually they worked the post loose, and at last pulled it right over. Then they would knock the foot plates off at their leisure, quite regardless of the inconvenience they might create in Sydney and Melbourne by interrupting communication.

The telegraph line, too, was the place where one Hume worked, who, many years ago, stated that he had found traces of Leichhardt, and even obtained some relics of the lost explorer, which were stolen from him on his way to Sydney. Hume professed to have made excursions by himself during the construction of the line, and when on one of these solitary expeditions he came across an old white man living with the blacks, who turned out to be one of Leichhardt's party. Hume came to grief in Western Queensland, and the subsequent settlement of the country has not produced anything in corroboration of his tale. Poor Leichhardt must have been a restless traveller, from the number of widely separated places in which alleged traces of him have been found.

To return to the aborigines. Another little diversion of theirs was the capsizing of the tanks, which, on a dry stage, were kept full for the benefit of repairing parties. This must have been hard work, and the pleasure derived from it seems doubtful, but they used to do it, much to the occasional discomfort of the line-men. The stations used to be built of rough stone, with an enclosed yard between two buildings. This, although intended as a defence against the natives, in the case of the attack on Barrow Creek station proved a fatal trap, as when the attack took place in the evening the men were all outside, unarmed and unsuspecting, and they had to run the gauntlet of a blank wall to get inside the station. The blacks had been admitted on friendly terms in this instance, and the unfortunate stationmaster was speared by a native whose sore leg he had been dressing and bandaging only that morning. Many have been the deaths on the line during and since its construction. In addition to the toll taken by the natives, fever and thirst have claimed their share, and the rough bush graves beside the wire are much in evidence. At Powell's Creek they had a singular experience with the blacks. The tribe occupying the country to the eastward have, or had, a custom of their own with regard to the women. After a lubra was married she never spoke, speech was forbidden. The language of signs, and great adepts they were at it, was allowed, but the married women had to keep silence. At the station was an old blackfellow and his lubra doing odd jobs about the place, and the then stationmaster tried to induce the old fellow to make the gin break the tribal law. This he refused to do, so by way of an experiment his tobacco allowance was stopped until the gin spoke. This is a terrible infliction for a semi-civilised blackfellow to suffer, and the gin felt it as well, so at last they gave in and the gin spoke. Never did people repent an experiment so much; the pent-up loquacity of many long years of silence poured out in flood, and her tongue was loud about the place from morn till night. Nor could the old man reduce her to silence again, nor would she leave the station, for having broken the law she was afraid to go back to her tribe again.

The telegraph line, although of inestimable assistance to subsequent explorers, did not lead to the settlement of the interior as much as was expected. Pastoral settlement certainly exists in a scattered way east and west of the line; but until the coming of the transcontinental railway, which will alter the fortunes of the Northern Territory, pastoral settlement cannot be expected to flourish. A man does not sit down and breed cattle and sheep for the sake of admiring them himself, and the remoteness of the country affords little other satisfaction to the grazier.

But perhaps the strangest coincidence as regards the exploration work of Stuart and the construction of the line lies in the fact that the route followed by Stuart was really the only available one for the construction of the line. Subsequent knowledge has shown us that neither east nor west of the track would the same facilities have been obtained. True, they were not very great as it was; but they were better than could have been got elsewhere, and served the purpose of assisting the construction. The line does not by any means follow the best country, on the contrary, it rather affects the worst; but it is the line on which the best supply of water is to be found. Stuart's name is not associated with any great geographical discovery like that of his former leader, Charles Sturt, but he certainly led the way across the continent from sea to sea, and did it with small means, in a practical manner, devoid of theatrical display, which led to his work bearing fruit for the generation succeeding him. Amongst the statues on their pedestals at the Lands Office there are some less deserving of a place than Macdouall Stuart's.

AN ISLAND FOR THE ANARCHISTS.

It used to be said in the old country that in however bad a state a railway line might be it was never repaired until a director or two had been killed on it. And people in these days have wondered in like manner how many more kings and queens and presidents must be assassinated before any international action be taken to stamp out the plague spot of anarchism. Some movement is at last apparent in the hitherto inert governments, and the happy thought has been struck to collect all the anarchists from everywhere and draft them on to an island entirely by themselves, where they might have unlimited freedom to test the practicability of their peculiar views. The project, indeed, presents some difficulties. To take one. How, for example, could they be collected; or, when collected, how could we be sure we had them all there, and that enough were not left behind to work further destruction, and to infect other minds with their pestilent doctrines? If the police of the various nationalities know so well where to lay a sure finger on them, why haven't they done it before? Or is anarchism not marked as an indictable offence in the statute books? If so, why isn't it called sedition, conspiracy, or anything else, to bring it within grasp of the law? Granted that officialdom keeps a vigilant watch on the suspected, it has yet seemed helpless to prevent the crimes that have followed thick and fast on each other's heels, appalling all civilised communities, and keeping crowned heads, and any heads in power, in a state of perpetual uneasiness. The creed of the anarchist appears to be delightfully simple. He aims not at evil or individual character, but purely at place, or the accident of birth. His methods are equally simple; and it must be allowed that he has the courage of his opinions, and counts his life nothing dear to himself in pursuance of his object. He brings down his quarry openly, and in the light of day; falls on one personage as he is entering a carriage, surrounded by attendants; strides up to another in a crowded assemblage under pretence of shaking hands, and shoots him with a revolver; stabs an unoffending lady as she is walking on board a steamboat. His too, the rapt enthusiasm of the fanatic—he glories in his deeds, knows no contrition for them. It cannot be said that he is altogether a new actor on the stage of Europe, though he may have lain at intervals in abeyance. In 1589 Jacques Clement murdered Henry III. of France. Two hundred years afterwards, his portrait was hung in one of the most violent of the revolutionary clubs of Paris, inscribed underneath with the words—"He was happy; he killed a king." Henry III., it is true, was a king that could well be spared, but Clement was followed by Ravaillac, who took the life of Henry IV., a life invaluable, politically speaking, to the France of the day, and which, had it been prolonged, might perhaps have saved much of the evil that came later. When at length the Great Revolution of 1789 broke out—a period heralded, even as our own age has been, by many eloquent disquisitions on the divine rights of man—the anarchists of the hour reigned triumphant, were sated to the top of their bent. They killed a worthy well-meaning man because he happened to be a king; a courageous high-souled woman because she was a king's wife; a saintly devoted woman because she was a king's sister; they doomed an innocent boy to a cruel and lingering death because he was a king's son, and had had the misfortune to be born within the shadow of a throne. The Bastille had been execrated, and justly so, for habitually keeping a few prisoners, often unaccused of any crime, in its stone cells. They sent their victims, after an infamous mockery of trial, to the guillotine daily, and in scores. Under a hideous semblance of liberty they abolished justice, trod decency under foot, and turned religion out of doors. Neither were they content, be it noted, with sacrificing king and aristocrat. It was ominously remarked towards the close of the Terror that the proscriptions were rapidly embracing the middle and lower classes, the very "people" themselves, whom the nobles had called the canaille. No man or woman of rank, however humble, was safe under judges stone deaf to pity, and drunk with the blood they had shed. As politicians they were failures, changing the "constitution" times and times again. Finally they conspired against and overthrew each other. Nor were law and order restored to their distracted country till it had been ground beneath the iron heel of a despot as imperious as had been any of its ancient kings, and who took the flower of its youth wherewith to strew the battlefields he wantonly provoked. In a word these anarchists of 1789 gave to the world at large the everlasting object-lesson that the one thing worse than an aristocratic tyranny is a democratic tyranny, and that any monstrous system forced upon mankind must needs collapse by its own impossibility. Be it understood that we have not spoken here of the many sincere and ardent lovers of true liberty the era had undoubtedly produced, but only of the men who got into power, and of the way they used it when they did get it. No more have we touched the point, so frequently advanced, that much ultimate good resulted from the French Revolution—good usually does follow in the wake of any tremendous social upheaval engendered by long arrears of wrong doing—we have but noticed immediate effects. A battle may clear the air for future peace, but it is a woful thing for the wounded and for the smitten hearts that have to mourn the slain.

But to return to our island. Suppose all difficulties surmounted, and that island and its inhabitants an accomplished fact, with a cordon of battle-ships drawn round to fence them off from the rest of humanity. What would be the probable outcome of the experiment? How would the deported visionaries fare, deprived of the hated sight of rulers in high places, and without their darling grievances to feed upon—how employ the time so lavishly at their disposal? Live together in brotherly amity, cursing the tyranny that had baulked them of their prey? Sink down in sullen impotence, cursing their own huge mistake? Philosophise, like Milton's angels (exiled, too), on—

Providence, foreknowledge, will, and fate!

Condescend to honest labour, and make their island self-producing, as the ingenious "Swiss Family Robinson" did theirs? Do anyone, or every one, or none of these things? From Plato's "Republic" to Bellamy's "Looking Backward," political theorists, in their schemes for the betterment of the race, persistently ignore the element of human nature itself. Nor can they mould it to their fantasies. It is the un root-out-able tendency of all communities, of whatsoever kind, to elect a head, only a figurehead maybe, but a head of some sort; and even our islanders might be ensnared into appointing an anarch-in-chief. To be consistent with their principles he would have to be done away with for presuming to fill the office, his supplanter perish in turn, and so on to the inevitable end. Would it have, in very deed, to be said of them as of the Philistines at Michmash, "Behold, the multitude melted away, and they went on beating down one another." Then, perchance, might some survivor of the fittest be brought off, cured, to finish his days—for extremes do meet sometimes—as a fervent devotee of dynasties and monarchical institutions. M.

PRESENTATION TO INSPECTOR HYEM.

Inspector Hyem, who is retiring from the police force after many years of service, was on Friday night the recipient of a presentation from a number of his recent fellow officers. The presentation, which comprised a gold watch, chain, and pendant, was made at the Central Police Office in the presence of many leading members of the force. Superintendent Larkins presided, and included in the attendance were Superintendent Brennan, Superintendent Edwards (Traffic Department), Inspectors Potter, Barry, and Sutherland, and Sub-inspectors Garland, Robinson, Sherwood, Hughes, Boyd, Kendall, Macdonald, and Strachan. In making the presentation Superintendent Larkins referred in flattering terms to Inspector Hyem's long connection with the police force, during which he had won respect and esteem from his colleagues, his subordinates, and the general public. Other officers having endorsed the remarks of the chairman, Inspector Hyem briefly responded.

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A SLEEPING CITY.

It is shortly after ten o'clock that the city gives out the first hint of its desire for rest after the work of the weary day. A subtle sense of finished effort is in the air which crystallises into fatigue. There has been much work done and much money earned. Things good and evil have got themselves enacted. They have taken the irrevocable step of coming down out of the nebulous future to ally themselves with the past. Will the change be beneficial? The city gives no sign of hope or fear. It is satisfied with the fact that a further step on the path of destiny has been achieved and on that it would exact the repose it has earned.

Yet the process of disposing of its evening visitors is not hurried. All the courtesy of a host is displayed. The lights are burning undiminished, with a simple fidelity to the duty that none shall complain of being overlooked. The few open shops are the final invitation to stay a little longer. But departures have become general and the company which was once a crowd now forms into little groups for a final few minutes of conversation. The theatres suddenly send out their throngs sweeping all before them, and the street is a moving mass once more. But the mass is united in the one purpose of getting home. With loud self-conscious heroism the trams rush to the task, treading on one another's heels in their eagerness to be of service to well-dressed pretty women. Mark the sullen disappointment of the tram that comes late, and can pick up only a few fat perspiring males. How it shrieks out its frenzied protest as it lunges along, and dashes frantically at those who dare to cross the road in front of it.

The streets are becoming denuded, and as the clock strikes eleven the last of the shops begin to close. With a sorrowful air of injury the hotels bolt their front doors, and in conscious rectitude disgorge a few customers—the sober ones. Others remain to carry on the story of a tyrannous democracy of drink. As it nears twelve o'clock the city dozes off into sleep. Stillness settles down disturbed only by a moving cab or an infrequent tram. Now a drunken chorus rises on the air, and the singers come lurching into view. They halt at the corner, and holding on to the gas-lamp discuss the complicated question of whether they have had enough. Twelve strikes, and the clock in the Post Office tower suddenly sinks into darkness. Its vigilant eyes have been searching the four corners of the city and it is satisfied all is well. But the South Head light coming round again cannot understand. The mission of all light is to cut into darkness; then why give up the task when the darkness is thickest! It ponders the problem as it picks up its ships far out at sea. There is no solution. But peace comes with the thought that though it knows all about the sea and its ships, a city may be a different study.

The groups have dwindled into units homeward set. Cabs collect round the coffee stall at the corner, and the cabbies order supper. There is the grateful sound of water splashing on the wood blocks as the streets are being hosed. Cunningly the water feels for the tram lines and having found them, four thin streams, with the impatience of horses at the starting post, are off for a race down the hill. The heavy footed useful draught horse takes the gutter, carrying a load of refuse behind him. The wood blocks, grateful for the bath, glisten in the gaslight. But the work of hosing has a fascination for the homeward wayfarer. The instincts of boyhood stir him and he stops to watch the man at his work, until there is a little group collected. Then as the water is being turned off one suddenly discovers that he is thirsty, and he drinks at the nozzle. His example spreads through them all. Oh, to return to boyhood and to be ruled by its instincts once more! The new values that even the mere recollection of them gives to life! But it is impossible to get back for more than an instant. This little group quickly proves that, for they can reach nothing more appropriate to the occasion than half-ironical references to "Nature's beveridge" and aqua pura. It is a pathetic testimony to our artificiality when men cannot drink water together without feeling the need of justifying their taste.

After 1 o'clock pedestrians are fewer, but at no time is the street deserted. At every few hundred yards one passes you, his footsteps echoing loudly in the stillness. Stand at any corner of George-street and spectral figures immediately come out of the darkness and halt at each of the other corners. It is more mysterious than the gathering of crows to a carcase. Turn down towards Pitt-street and the others silently move away. There are still a few cabs on the stands, and as you approach you are anxiously watched as a possible fare. One driver perched on his seat has an evening paper spread on the roof of his cab, and, with a lamp in his hand, is closely reading it. He looks disgusted and despondent, as if he had reached the conviction that a fare will soon be a greater rarity than a moa. The speculation your appearance caused soon subsides and argument is resumed. "Yes Bill," says the voice of impatience, "I know he can drink all right, but what I say is that it takes a dash good man to get through £10 worth of drink in four days." Bill is inaudible in reply, but one hopes not defeated. Surely he knows something of our back-country manhood where £10 for a four-days' "burst" would smack of teetotal views.

Up towards Hyde Park there is less movement. The silence is deep enough to give a sense of solitude. You have time to feel that you do own half a mile of street to yourself. But presently a policeman comes up to assert a prior claim, and you wander into the park. The fruit of the fig trees drop softly on the asphalt. The lamps are out and the trees throw deep black shadows in the moonlight. It is almost deserted. Only here and there does a tree guard a sleeping form. The legitimate dosser does not patronise the park. The spurious article—there are some hundreds of him—who sleeps in the park in the day time has a home to go to—and a wife who does washing and scrubbing. The loud snore of a man stretched on the asphalt where the drink tripped him drives you back to the streets.

The rows of gaslights extend endlessly on either hand. Quietness reigns but a moment ere it is broken by the barking of disturbed dogs. Gaunt cats move stealthily about the refuse boxes on the kerb, and from a shattered shop comes a mewing protest from a prisoner. Two constables pass, eyeing you carefully as a possible burglar. A procession of empty cabs wanders despondently homewards. The clock dozes, and at varying intervals wakes up and fiercely strikes the quarters, as if angry with itself for sleeping on duty. Then in a change of mood it next strikes softly in the hope of concealing its lapse. But with what fanatical abandonment it seizes on the hours! The preparatory strokes are a pæan of evil triumph. One; two! There is the strength of madness in its iron-tongued emphasis.

There is no escape from the haunting footsteps. The late trams run emptily past, but there are still some weary stragglers who have not given up the hope of getting home before the milk. A relief from eternal footsteps is the clamp of the battered night watchman's stick as he goes his rounds, trying the fastenings of the doors. The policeman on the beat joins him. At the Quay there is still some sign of life. A ferry-boat blunders noisily into its berth and sets down a single passenger. He wakes a sleeping cabman and is driven off.

The sound of footsteps ceases for a time. The black overshadowing buildings yawn cavernously at you. The street stretches emptily in front. The solitude becomes oppressive, and even the sight of the coffee-stall keeper asleep with his head on the table is some relief. The gas lamps are wreathed in haze, and afar down is the light of a tram picking its way through the cloudy darkness. Across the street a Hindoo hawker lies asleep in a doorway with his bundle under his head. Is it irony or accident that he has chosen a shop where beds are advertised? Could he have better shown his Asiatic contempt for the thriftless Caucasian who cannot distinguish between luxuries and necessities.

Time drags at the chain of the reluctant day. The minutes cling to one another shuddering at their doom. But the clock seizes them in its hand, grapples singly with them, squeezes every drop of blood to the last of the sixty that make up their lives, and flings their poor bodies on the ashes of the centuries.

On the stroke of three the cocks begin to predict the dawn. They answer one another from every quarter. The tide of the human movement has turned and sets in towards the city. Carts rattle along the streets. The coffee-stall keeper wakes up and prepares to leave. The last cab drives emptily home. The whistle of a boat comes from the harbour. A few workmen trudge past, each with a shovel over his shoulder and a billy-can and dinner-bag in his hand. It is not yet dawn, but the day has begun. The sleep of the city is over.

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THE SLEEP-GOD'S STRONGHOLD.

(By G. A. Levett-Yeats in "Macmillan's Magazine.")

It is an æsthetic pleasure to wander among the dewy fields in the soft sunshine of the Indian winter, to watch the alabaster cups of the poppy flowers shimmering upon the vivid green of their setting, and to listen to the hum of countless bees hovering around them. The mind, soothed by these surroundings, falls into a gentle reverie in which bright visions of the dreams called up by the awful sleep-compeller pass before it. But there is a reverse to the medal; all is not alabaster cups, humming of bees, and bright dreams in the land of the poppy. The stern skeleton of business underlies the comely features of the flowery landscape. To the cultivator the production of opium is the object on which his mental eye is fixed; his dreams are of fat capsules and many lancings, mingled with the pleasant chink of silver coins.

The produce of all these thousands of acres of poppy-fields is destined to soothe the pain or minister to the pleasures of the world in general, but more particularly of the Mongolian races, who, being epicures of repose, are fond of carrying a portable dream-god about with them. This ocean of sleep has only two sluice-gates through which it can find its way into the world, and these are the two opium factories of Ghazipur and Patna.

The visitor to Ghazipur, after forcing his way past the clamorous beggardom of its landing-stage, had to endure the miseries of a long drive in a quaint receptacle on wheels known as a palki gharri. Dusty and hot, but safe, he is at last deposited before a solid red-brick structure lying just outside the walls of the opium-factory. This building, the architectural style of which is peculiar to the Public Works Department of India, and combines with much ingenuity, though not always with a happy effect, the flat roofs of native houses with Gothic arches and highly decorated friezes, is the office of the factory superintendent. The factory is as jealously guarded from promiscuous contact with the outer world as a mint. Having passed the main gate and the guard the visitor finds that he has only penetrated the outer shell of the citadel, and that another formidable line of fortifications consisting of railings covered with wire netting and dominated by a second gateway, has still to be surmounted. Before the irresistible authority of his pass this barrier also falls before him, and he is at last in the inmost shrine of the world's opium-house. Skirting some lofty buildings, the use of which will be explained later on, the explorer arrives at a large courtyard in which about twelve hundred earthern jars are lying arranged in batches of a hundred each. These jars contain the opium as it comes in from the districts; and their contents, having just undergone a rigorous examination by the superintendent, are now being carried away one by one by a train of brawny half-naked coolies. Each of these jars contains a maund of opium, equal in weight to eighty-two pounds avoirdupois, but the men poise them on their head, and trot away as unconcernedly as a party of ants hurrying to their nest with booty from a neighbouring corn-field. We follow the men through a doorway on the left into a room in which for a few seconds it is not possible to make out what is going on, so confusing to the sight is the abrupt change from the white glare of the courtyard to the twilight of this lofty chamber. It is soon, however, discovered to be quadrangular in shape, and its central portion is seen to be occupied by a number of stone cisterns or vats with walls raised about five feet from the floor. Between every group of three or four of these vats runs a narrow alley at right angles to the passage round the edges of the room. To the uninitiated visitor the scene is one of indescribable confusion. Men carrying jars of opium run in different directions, others empty-handed hurry back to the courtyard; women with basins of opium on their heads race down the alleys and disappear; a jangling sound as of falling metal weights mingles with a continuous dull splashing as of stones being thrown into a well; the high-pitched tones of the women run through the hoarser rumble of the men's voices, while now and then the strident notes of some person in authority cut across this chaos of sound as the lightning-flash pierces the heavy gloom of a storm-cloud.

A SOFT MAHOGANY-COLOURED SUBSTANCE.

It is somewhat surprising to find that nothing but bustle and activity reign in the very heart of the sleep-god's stronghold. Hundreds of thousands of pounds of opium lie stored in this room, but there is nothing in the quick movements, bright eyes, and healthy faces of the swarming coolies, to show that the drug has any attraction for them. Each one of them, we notice, who carries an opium-jar, halts a moment at the doorway, where he receives directions to what particular vat he has to take his load. There a gang of men await his arrival, part of them seated on the flat walls of the vat, while the others help the carrier to remove the load from his head. The latter also hand up full jars to the men seated on the walls, who proceed to scrape out the contents with their hands, and throw the opium in masses into the vats, thus producing the dull splashing sound aforesaid. Climbing up the steps alongside the walls of one of the vats (marked as holding two thousand one hundred maunds or over fifteen hundred hundredweights), we find it is full to the brim of a soft mahogany-coloured substance, which here and there has begun to harden into a glistening crust. This substance is opium, and we are informed that most of the vats we see in the room will be filled and emptied several times before the season's work is concluded. To step into one of these vats would be as dangerous as stepping into a quicksand; yet they have daily to be entered by men whose duty it is to remove a certain quantity of their contents for the day's work. The difficulty is overcome by means of a broad plank on which the men stand as on a raft. Outside the vat, on the quivering spongy surface of the contents of which these men are floating, a number of women stand, each with a brass basin in her hands, eagerly waiting her turn to have it filled. The men scoop up the opium with their hands, and fill the basins, which are instantly hurried off to be weighed at a neighbouring scale, and then taken by the nearest alley to the check-scales, where a crowd of impatient fellow-carriers surround a weary-eyed assistant, who is so busy that he has scarcely time to breathe. The jangling noise of weights and scales is caused by the operation we have been watching, and the apparent confusion existing in this part of the factory now unravels itself into order and methodical work. As fast as the men at the check-scales weigh off a tagar of opium (as the brass basin is called), the woman to whom it belongs hastens with it to an adjoining room where four oblong shallow stone cisterns occupy each of the four corners, leaving a cross-shaped passage in the middle. In each of these vats stand three or four muscular coolies, whose brawny limbs shining with sweat look as if they had been cast in bronze. They are armed with large wooden rakes which they whirl round their heads, and bring down as a boilermaker uses a sledge-hammer, striking the teeth of their weapons deep into the masses of opium, and dragging away portions of it which they deposit in different directions around them.

A SCENE OF STRESS AND TURMOIL.

This furious battle is only one of the processes by which the opium is properly mixed. When the men with the rakes have worked at it a sufficient time, their place is taken by another set of men who leap into the vats, and seizing hold of a series of long cords hanging from the roof-trees, commence a slow procession through the adhesive substance into which they are standing knee-deep. The men are often in this foot-bath of opium for several hours, but no ill effects have ever been observed to follow from this partial immersion in so powerful a drug. This treading of opium has a very different meaning from the treading of grapes during a vintage. No ruddy juices stream from purple masses of fruit, to be converted afterwards into the liquid ruby that Hafiz vows in impassioned verse to be better than the sweet waters of Ruknabad or the fountains of Mosul; no songs and laughter accompany the strenuous exertions of the men, converting their duties into festival and work at the same time; no halo of light verse encircles their memory. To most people it is a prosaic thing, a mere detail connected with the better mixing of the opium, a preparatory step to the process of manufacture. Yet there is much that is picturesque in it. The naked men strain at their task with swelling muscles, their brown skins gleaming in the shafts of yellow sunlight pouring through the long narrow windows above the vats, all go to make a picture to which perhaps the pencil of Mr. Clausen alone could do justice.

Passing from this scene of stress and turmoil we enter another room of precisely the same size and arrangements. The vats in this room contain the opium of a previous mixing, and are already giving up their contents to the busy hands of the workmen in the manufacturing room. Here are a number of scales at which large tin vessels filled with opium from the vats are being weighed. As each vessel passes the scales, a carrier snatches it up and darts into the caking-room where the opium is being packed in the form in which John Chinaman is accustomed to obtain it from the merchant princes who deal in this expensive luxury.

The hum of many voices gradually increasing in strength has for some time warned us that we are near the caking-room. As one steps into this long and crowded hall the first sensation is one of bewilderment. A thousand men are around us, all working as if their lives depended upon the rate at which they could turn out their task. Again it strikes one very forcibly that, if the poppy-god sleeps, his workmen are unusually wide-awake.

A BRAHMAN OF THE BRAHMANS.

A number of iron cages occupy the central portion of the room, in each of which sits a placid weighman, weighing out opium as calmly as the fat bunniah in the bazaar weighs out his doles of adulterated flour and weevil-eaten grain. To each cage there is a little door at which, platter in hand, stops an expectant sprite. The help of opium is deftly tilted into the platter and the sprite is off and lost in the long line of similar brown imps, all standing before their masters the cake-makers. The movements of this sepia squire guide us to where the cake-makers sit, arranged in two long rows on the opposite sides of the room. Upon the walls over each man's head is a white circle with his number in black painted on it.

Let us stand before No. 1, who presumably from his number is the doyen of the craft, and see what his deft fingers are making. He himself is a man in the prime of life with shapely head and fine aquiline features; a small well-trimmed black moustache curls fiercely over his lips, his large eyes are full of intelligence, and his long slender fingers move swiftly and almost mechanically about his work. He is a Brahman of the Brahmans and is courteously addressed by all men of inferior caste as "Maharaj" (Great King) when they speak to him. He is sitting on a low sloping stool, stripped to his waist-cloth, for it is May and the temperature of the room is unspeakable, although it is only about 9 o'clock in the morning. Great beads of perspiration stand on his back, and little streams trickle down his shoulders to his elbows. We ourselves, though our progress has been a leisurely walk, are mopping our foreheads as we go along. But Mahadeo Maharaj, as he is popularly known, is too absorbed in his work to pay much attention to the heat.

He bends down to a tray before his feet in which lies a brass cup. Near the edge of the tray is a platter with a pat of opium on it. A small cup full of some liquid substance which we are told is opium is on his right, and on his left is a pile of what looks not unlike a number of pancakes, but which are really wrappers made of the petals of the poppy flower. Hooked on to the edge of his tray is a little tin box full of paper tickets bearing his number. Before him his assistant kneels, reverently holding one of the wrappers in his hands. Mahadeo shoots one glance at us out of those keen eyes of his, and then sets to work with complete calmness. He has played before a bigger audience ere now, for the great Lord Sahib who rules over Bengal has watched him making cakes. Tearing the leaf his assistant hands him to a convenient size, he deftly arranges it in the brass cup and smears it over with the liquid opium. Bit after bit he adds, his fingers moving like the needle of a sewing machine until a nice soft bed of leaf has been made. Then in a moment he turns the opium into it and drawing up the edge of the leaf covers it up, and, in a manner which baffles description, makes in a few minutes a perfect sphere which he shakes out of the cup on to the palm of his left hand and adorns with one of the little tickets from his tin box. He then hands the cake, as this sphere is called, to his attendant who receives it carefully in the palms of his joined hands, for it is yet soft and pulpy, and bears it away to the examiner. The examiner has not much trouble with this cake, which is symmetrical in shape and of the correct weight. It is once more handed to the sprite, who takes it off to a large box in which a powdery-looking substance resembling fine bran is kept, and dusts half of it with this. Next, fitting it with a little earthen cup from a stack of these articles, he carries it out into the large stone-paved yard we crossed when on our way to the malkhana or store-room. Here he deposits it in the front of a metal plaque bearing the workman's number and hurries back to see that his master's wants are properly attended to.

CAKES LYING SNUGLY IN THEIR CUPS.

Crossing the courtyard, now dotted with cakes lying snugly in their earthen cups, we enter one of the several lofty buildings lying to the right. The interior of the building we enter is occupied by vast wooden racks that extend almost up to the roof-trees. These racks are entirely filled with opium-cakes in their cups; a board at the entrance informs us that this go-down, as it is called, contains two hundred thousand cakes. The racks are so arranged as to allow free ventilation, and passages run on all sides. Gangs of coolies are at work taking down the cakes from the racks and inspecting them. The manner in which the cakes are taken down is interesting and forms one of the sights of the factory. A few boys swarm up the sides of a rack, and the topmost one, removing a cake with its cup from its place, throws it down to the boy below, who passes it on to the next until it reaches the leader of the gang standing on the ground. In this manner a rack containing from two to three thousand cakes is emptied with inconceivable rapidity. The cakes are replaced in the same way, being thrown two at a time from boy to boy; the cup, although not in any way attached to the cake, follows it as closely as if actually adhering to it. The sight is a pretty one, and the feat can only be performed by men who, like these coolies, have spent years at this work. It very rarely happens that a cake is missed, either in its upward or downward journey. When this does happen, there is woe in the go-down, and high factory officials swarm to the scene of the catastrophe, where the case is immediately inquired into and decided on its merits.

The cake of opium is in shape much more like a 30lb. round-shot, or some large fruit, than a cake. The name has, however, become so wedded with the history of the manufacture that, although inappropriate, it cannot now be changed. A cake of opium, then, when mature is not unlike an overgrown wood-apple in appearance and colour. The outer surface is greyish and smooth. When cut open the likeness to a fruit of some kind is still more striking, for the layers of leaf in which the cake is wrapped then presents the appearance of a rind about half an inch thick, while the opium resembles the pulp of the fruit.

It is not until the winter begins, or some six months after manufacture, that the cakes are considered mature enough for export. They are then packed in large wooden chests, made in the north-western provinces, of mango wood, and are sent to Calcutta, where they are disposed of by monthly sales to the opium-merchants, and through them find their way to China and the Straits, the market for all the opium made up in this form. That which is used in India itself is manufactured differently, being first dried in shallow trays in the sun till it reaches a certain degree of hardness, and then pressed into large square blocks looking extremely like cakes of transparent soap.

By the time we have completed the tour of one of the cake go-downs and returned to the outer air the courtyard has become covered with batches of shining freshly-made cakes. The day's output, we are told, is 20,000 cakes; this means a consumption of sixty-one thousand five hundred pounds avoirdupois of opium, and the work lasts for about 50 days.

SHORTAGE OF TRUCKS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The subject of truck shortage on lines is a serious one to the farmer who grows chaff, far more than to one who only grows wheat. Most farmers grow both, so practically all farmers are interested in the question as to why their stuff, chaff particularly, cannot be got away to market when brought to the railway stations.

Last year we were told by the Commissioners that they had not sufficient trucks. Well, this year they must have abundance of trucks, as laden trucks are left standing on the lines after being loaded with wheat or chaff for days, and in some cases nearly a week, before being started on their journey to market. Others get started from the loading station, and on reaching some other station are quietly shunted off, and left there for days or weeks. Naturally we who are directly dependent on the Redfern and Darling Harbour markets for the disposal of our produce feel that something is wrong with our railway system. Is it possible that our Commissioners are, after last year's experience of truck shortage, this year suffering from want of haulage power? No reasonable person could expect them to keep on hand sufficient rolling stock to haul all the stuff grown in the State in to the markets in a few weeks, or a few months, but when we do, after a hard struggle, succeed in getting a few bags of wheat or chaff trucked, we certainly expect it to reach Redfern or Darling Harbour in less time than it used to do under the bullock team system. Some of us may be waiting the returns for our wheat or chaff to get the bailiff out of the house. I am, &c.,

FARMER BAMAN.

FEDERAL PAPER MILLS.

AN EXTENSIVE ENTERPRISE.

CEREMONY AT BOTANY.

For the purpose of manufacturing wrapping papers of every description in this State a company, with registered London offices and a colonial board of management, has been started, with a large working capital. The company was floated in London. The London board of directors are:—Mr. Henry Bull, of Henry Bull and Co., of this city; Mr. William Moir, of Aberdeen, Scotland; and Mr. Charles Parbury, of Parbury and Co., of London and Sydney.

The Sydney board of management consists of Mr. George Morgan (chairman), Mr. Bentley, and Mr. Stephen John Simpson. When the company was floated Mr. John Shand, M.I.M.E., a well-known papermaker and engineer, who for a number of years was the foreign representative of the firm of Bertrams, Limited, paper mill engineers, of Edinburgh, was engaged as general manager of the new undertaking. Mr. Shand came out to New South Wales with a lifelong experience in the work of erecting mills and the making of paper in all its branches. Mills had been erected under his supervision in India, China, Japan, Canada, and other parts. Mr. Shand arrived in Sydney a few months ago, and the difficulty at once arose of finding a suitable site upon which to erect the mill. The question of a plentiful supply of water had especially to be considered. Various places, such as Bulli, Newcastle, and other parts, were visited, and finally Bunnerong, which lies at the extreme end of Botany, was chosen. In that locality 33 acres of land situated within a few yards of the Botany tram terminus, and under cultivation by Chinese gardeners, was purchased from the City Bank. Negotiations were entered into with Messrs. Slatyer and Cosh, architects, to prepare the plans of an extensive mill, the design for which had already been made by the company's expert (Mr. Shand). A contract was subsequently let to Messrs. Baxter and Boyne for the erection of buildings to cost £13,000. These buildings are but the first instalment of the whole design. They embrace a floor space of 34,272 square feet, while the buildings yet to be erected will include an additional floor space of 24,031ft. It is estimated that the mill when completed will be as large as the whole of the other paper mills of Australia combined. The buildings now in course of erection include the following:—Dusting-house, 30ft. by 30ft.; rag boiler-house, 87ft. x 30ft., two stories in height; chemical-house, 30ft. x 16ft., three stories high; rag engine-house, 87ft. x 57ft.; steam engine-house, 79ft. x 30ft.; machine-house, 180ft. by 32ft.; boiler-house, 48ft. x 35ft.; finishing-house, 100ft. x 69ft. These structures, which are of brick on concrete foundations with iron roofs and concrete floors, are almost completed. They are regarded as the main buildings for the housing of the machinery, &c., but there are yet to be erected mechanics' shops, storerooms, offices, lavatories, and an extensive depot to carry 800 tons of coal. Around the works there will be 600 yards lineal measurement of roads. The company has also dedicated a strip of land to the Government to be used as a public road. This has enabled the Government to form a road from the Botany-road to the Bunnerong-road, which has recently been completed.

The machinery to be used in the mill will weigh upwards of 700 tons. This is being supplied by Bertrams, Limited, of Edinburgh, and is of the latest design and containing all most recent improvements. It will include two steam boilers, each weighing 20 tons, and three large digesters. The paper machine is constructed so as to turn out a web of finished paper 92in. wide and to run at a speed of from 35ft. to 300ft. per minute. There will be six steam engines at work; the largest of these will be 600 horse-power. All the usual finishing machinery for cutting and packing ream papers, also slip papers for bag makers, &c., will be fixed in position. Every provision will be made for conserving water. A tank has been erected on the roof of the chemical house to hold 100 tons of water. For a start the company propose to turn out from 90 to 100 tons of paper per week, and there being a substantial duty on wrapping papers it is estimated by the promoters that while the paper-making industries now in existence in Australia will not be harmed in any way, but rather stimulated, yet the new company will be able to take the place of the importers and supply the whole of the wrapping paper now imported into these States from America and other places.

In connection with the enterprise a pleasant ceremony took place on Saturday afternoon. The contractors for the erection of the buildings (Messrs. Baxter and Boyne) having laid the top brick on an extensive chimney stack, near the boiler-house, invited the Sydney managers of the company and a number of the shareholders and others interested in the work to be present and partake of a glass of wine in honour of the event, also to make a tour of inspection of the land and buildings. About 30 gentlemen accepted the invitation. These included Mr. George Morgan (chairman of the board of Sydney directors) and Mr. R. D. Bentley (also a director), Mr. George Smith (secretary of the company), Mr. John Shand (general manager), Messrs. Slatyer and Cosh (architects), Mr. J. B. Baxter Bruce (solicitor to the company), Mr. Capper, Mr. A. Moir, Mr. Binns (Saxton and Binns), Mr. Marr (R. L. Scrutton and Co.), Mr. Stubbs, Mr. Dobbin (property clerk to the City Bank), Mr. Tait (chief engineer to the company), Mr. Gammie (foreman of the mill), Mr. Collins (chief accountant), Mr. Harrison (clerk of works for the erection of the buildings), and others. The company left town by the 2 p.m. Botany tram, and in the course of an hour arrived on the ground. The chimney stack is 150ft. high. Its diameter at the base is 16ft. 8in. and at the top 9ft. The foundations are of concrete and are 20ft. square. From the top of the chimney the federal flag floated.

A number of the more venturesome of the visitors proceeded to the top of the chimney, being hauled up three at a time in a square box fixed inside the stack. The hauling was done with the aid of a steel rope attached to a crab-winch. The process was slow, and the travellers, who were lashed together by means of a rope, gladly welcomed their arrival on the small scaffold erected at the summit. They were, however, rewarded for their troubles by witnessing a splendid panoramic view of Botany Bay and its surroundings on the one side, while in the distance the city could be clearly seen.

The whole company subsequently made a tour of inspection of the buildings, and finally sat down to a light repast laid in the chemical-house. Champagne was uncorked and several toasts were honoured. The chairman (Mr. Boyne) having proposed "The King," to which toast the company drank heartily, Mr. Dobbin, of the City Bank, submitted the toast "Success to the Federal Paper Mills." Mr. Morgan (chairman of the Sydney board of management) responded. Mr. Slatyer proposed "The health of the London and Australian Board of Directors." Mr. Bentley responded, and bore testimony to the amount of time and care given to the work of the company in its initiatory stages by both the London and Sydney directors.

Mr. Baxter Bruce proposed "The health of the general manager, Mr. Shand." He said the company were fortunate in securing the services of such a gentleman as Mr. Shand to superintend operations of erecting the mill and to carry on the work of paper-making in Australia. He had no doubt the company would prove a great success. He was astonished to find the progress that had been made in a few months in the erection of buildings and machinery, and the work had been done well. (Applause.)

Mr. Shand responded, and gave a detailed account of the start and progress of the company up to its present stage. He said it was just a year ago that he was engaged to prepare the first estimate and the plans, &c., for the erection of the mill. That was in London, and now they had almost completed the first section of the buildings. Much of their machinery was here, and the remainder was on the water. The company hoped to start operations in May next. He bore testimony to the splendid manner in which the architects and builders had carried out their work. (Applause.)

"The health of the Architects and the Builders" was also proposed and duly honoured, after which the company returned to town.

WAR AND PEACE.

Mr. John J. Stone, C.E., writes with regard to Messrs. Holman and A. H. Griffith, MsL.A., and their anti-war attitude. He says that as an elector he offers his objection to the conduct of State representatives who have taken a certain oath of allegiance, an oath which should be followed with consistent conduct. There are, he adds, thousands who, like himself, think there has been an injudicious use of free speech. It is thought undesirable for the pro-Boers to communicate sympathetically with the Boers, because they can hold no intercourse with the Empire's enemies, and yet they applaud the fact that a cable from the P.L.C., expressing their views, has traversed the world. Surely such specious reasoning, when rightly described, is double-dealing. For has not this plan of communicating with the Boers been adopted by the most virulent enemies of our Empire?

A correspondent signing himself J.N. writes in reply to M.F.R., who in regard to the criticism of Professor Wood asked if the advocates of the war deliberately refused to hear the other side. "J.N." answers emphatically "No." He adds:—"It is because we have studied the question of right and wrong in the present South African War, and have weighed the arguments pro and con that we are able to judge whether Boer or Briton is to be condemned. Adverse criticism we are not displeased with. It has been met manfully again and again, but when adverse criticism, after being shown to be unjust, is again brought forward something is needed to prevent such frivolity."

NIGHTINGALE INSTITUTE.

The monthly committee meeting of the above institution was held in the boardroom at 22 Lower Fort-street on the 5th instant. The chair was taken by Mrs. Waters (vice-president), and there were also present Mrs. Hanson, Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Munro, Mrs. Davies, Mrs. Alfred Chown. The secretary, Mr. Herbert J. Page, reported that during the month 88 cases had been treated at the outdoor department, 4 cases were admitted to the hospital, and 26 patients were treated by the hon. dentist, Mr. Dowdney. The appointment of Miss Scoon as head nurse was confirmed. The lady superintendent reported that the president, Mrs. John See, had presented a bed to the maternity ward. Correspondence was read from the Trained Nurses' Association. It was proposed to increase the accommodation for indoor patients and nurses' quarters.

The best "pick-me-up" for mental worry or physical exertion is a wineglass of Faulding's VI-KOLA.—Advt.

AN ISLAND WRECK.

THE DANISH BARQUENTINE PUCK LOST.

ARRIVAL OF THE CREW AT SYDNEY.

By the steamer Stettin, of the North German Lloyd line, there arrived on Saturday last Mr. P. Frees, the chief officer of the wrecked Danish barquentine Puck, also the second officer (Mr. C. Knudsen) and eight members of the crew. It appears that the barque was engaged in trading and recruiting amongst the islands of the Bismarck Archipelago, and at the time of the disaster had on board 170 "boys." The wind failed, and the barque drifted ashore. Assistance was procured and the vessel was towed off the reef. She was leaking badly, and it was with great difficulty that she was kept afloat. Under canvas she, however, reached an island port. There the barquentine was surveyed, and when the Stettin called was to be sold on account of owners and underwriters. Captain Svensden remained at Mioko to look after his owner's interests. It was intended to have gone to Samoa, but the vessel was not in a state to proceed upon the voyage. Upon arrival of the shipwrecked men at Sydney they waited upon the Danish Consul, who made arrangements for them to be provided for at the Sailors' Home, pending their departure for home or elsewhere.

The barque is given in Lloyd's Register as an iron vessel, launched at Newcastle-on-Tyne by Messrs. Marshall Brothers in 1863. Her gross register is 494 tons and net 473 tons. The vessel's dimensions are: Length, 154ft.; beam, 27ft. 5in.; and depth, 17ft. 6in. She is said to be insured.

THE CHIEF OFFICER'S ACCOUNT.

The chief officer, in conversation with a "Herald" reporter yesterday, said that the Puck originally came across from South Africa to Samoa under charter as a labour and trading barquentine. She conveyed 100 returned "boys" from Samoa to their homes, and had recruited successfully at New Ireland and elsewhere. They also had a lot of cargo and trade goods aboard when the ship struck the rocks. The wreck occurred on November 7 at New Hanover, and was entirely due to a strong current during a calm. A small steamer (the Meteor) towed the vessel off, and gave them a good offing, and it was on the following day they discovered 4ft. of water in the ship's hold. The steamer Meteor had left the night before, so all hands were at the pumps on the three weeks' journey to Mioko. On arrival there the recruits were landed or transhipped, some to the steamer South Australian and some to the Meteor. Word was sent to the Danish owners via Singapore; but two months elapsed before a reply came. Subsequently a survey was held, and the ship condemned, the crew coming to Sydney by the Stettin.

THE TRAINING OF A CONSTITUTIONAL SOVEREIGN.

(From the "Spectator.")

The return of the Duke of Cornwall and York from his prolonged journeyings has an interest of greater extent and importance than is likely to be realised by the crowds which are always ready to welcome an occasion for a pageant. Englishmen have learnt of late to give visible shape to their feelings, and the Duke of Cornwall naturally benefits by the active loyalty which has been evoked, partly by the war and partly by the death of Queen Victoria. This sentiment of devotion to the Crown alike in its actual and its future possessors may not go very deep. It has nothing in common with that evoked and misused by the Stuarts or the Bourbons. It is the expression—the only expression possible in the case of a multitude—of an undefined affection for the country to which they belong. Institutions, however excellent, call forth but a languid emotion, and if what is vaguely symbolised by the words "England" and "Empire" were not embodied in any concrete form, they would probably convey little meaning except to political students. To supply this embodiment is the special function of a monarchy. The affections of his subjects go out to the sovereign and to his descendants in the direct line, and in doing so become more vivid and more permanent.

The return of the Duke of Cornwall has an interest special to the character and circumstances of his tour. He has been visiting every part—India excepted—of the Empire he will one day rule. He comes home with the knowledge that only travel under favourable conditions can give of the many and widely different communities which make up the dominions of the Crown of England beyond sea. There are two aspects in which the journey which has furnished him with this knowledge may be regarded—as it affects the countries through which he has travelled, and as it affects the Royal traveller himself. The former is naturally the more obvious of the two. Australians and Canadians have seen their future Sovereign, and have thus been enabled to appropriate that sentiment of loyalty which we have described as natural to crowds. Gazers by the hundred thousand have followed the Duke's progress through one city after another, and have come to realise more distinctly than they have ever done before what it is to be a citizen and subject of that crowned Republic which for want of a better word we call the Empire. The idea of kingship has taken shape in their imaginations. They will be able in the time to come to recall all the circumstances which attended the Royal visit, and to recall also the emotions which properly belong to it. In an Empire scattered over so vast an area, and composed of communities differing so widely in composition, in history, and in race, every additional tie that binds the parts together is of incalculable value. Who shall say how far the attitude of the great Confederation which has just been created in Australia, or of the elder Dominion of Canada, towards England and the English connection may be affected in years to come by feelings which have their root and origin in the recollection of the Duke of Cornwall's visit? Such feelings may predispose those in whom they exist to a more generous interpretation of the Acts of the Imperial Government, and to a readier acceptance of their share in Imperial burdens. The wheels of Empire will run more smoothly because the Empire itself will be associated with the person of the heir to the throne. The cares and the duties of Royalty no longer allow a King of England to travel through his dominions in person, but when his place is taken by his eldest son the same end is attained, if not in the same degree.

Of still more importance, probably, will be the influence of his tour on the Duke of Cornwall himself. He has enjoyed extraordinary opportunities of making himself acquainted with the characters, the interests, the wishes of the great, free, and self-governing nations he has visited. He has not shut himself up in the Government Houses of the several colonies, or seen their public men only amid the formalities of a State reception. On the contrary, he has talked freely with colonial politicians, and no doubt gained from his conversations with them a wide practical knowledge of the opinions, the ambitions, and even the dreams of those who will one day be his subjects beyond the seas. No living Englishman in high position has had the same means of acquainting himself with what may be called the raw material of a colonial policy. Colonial Secretaries cannot leave Downing-street in order to go round the world, and though less highly placed politicians can travel where they please, their "sphere of influence" when they return seldom goes beyond the covers of a monthly magazine. The Duke of Cornwall's "sphere of influence" will be very much wider.

How so? it may be asked. Of what use can a sovereign's knowledge be under a constitutional monarchy where he is only the great personage charged with the duty, absolutely indispensable, and yet chiefly mechanical, of signing the documents and approving the policies which successive Ministers present to him? We know that this is the traditional theory of the principle on which the business of the United Kingdom is carried on, and in a sense, and an important sense, it corresponds to the actual facts. When a Minister knows his own mind and has the country at his back no amount of Royal opposition can stop him. That is a constitutional commonplace. But, like other commonplaces, it is too sweeping to be of much value. It disregards all the limitations and qualifications with which general truths must be surrounded if they are to remain true. Ministers do not always know their own minds, and there are many questions of great importance about which the country knows nothing and cares nothing. Colonial questions are conspicuous examples of this class of subject. The Cabinet have to advise the Sovereign whether to give or withhold his assent to a colonial bill. It may have very inconvenient consequences, and so the Colonial Secretary may be inclined to advise its rejection. But such rejection may create great, and possibly disastrous, discontent in the colony. Is this prospect near enough and grave enough to make the acceptance of the bill expedient, notwithstanding the weighty objections to which it is open? A Colonial Secretary may be honestly at his wits' end to decide between these rival considerations. What he needs is a more intimate knowledge of the forces at work in the colony. He has information enough poured in upon him, but he is wanting in the special experience which would help him to form a right estimate of the comparative value of the sources whence this information is derived. In a case like this conclusions formed by personal observation of colonial politicians and colonial opinion would be of the utmost service, and these are precisely what a Sovereign with the antecedents of the Duke of Cornwall will be in a position to supply. It is for the Minister, no doubt, to determine whether the inconveniences of the bill which awaits the Royal assent do or do not outweigh the discontent which, as he is assured, its rejection will excite in the colony. But there is an earlier stage which has yet to be traversed—the stage in which his business is to satisfy himself as to the nature and extent of this discontent, and here it may be a very great advantage to have the King's view of what is likely to excite colonial opinion. The example of Queen Victoria shows us what an English Sovereign may do in shaping the policy of his Ministers. The secret of the late Queen's power lay in the fact that on certain subjects she was better informed than her Cabinet, and could give sound and wise advice. She had an intimate and personal knowledge of the details of foreign policy and of the characters of foreign sovereigns which no Foreign Secretary could rival. The knowledge that her grandson has gained of colonial opinion and feeling cannot have the exceptional completeness which comes from the study of a lifetime, but for all that it may hereafter be of very great service to a perplexed Colonial Secretary.

Remember, too, that the Duke of York's experience will not fade away as his visit becomes a distant episode. He will have formed ties with colonial statesmen which will be constantly and diligently renewed. Politicians whom he knew in Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, and Canada will be welcomed by him in London, and he will, we may be sure, never lose touch with the leading men of the Empire. He will be able to learn from them, and they from him, in a way which would not have been possible had he never made his memorable visit to the self-governing nations of the Empire.

STRUGGLING STUDENTS AT THE COLLEGES.

In reviewing a book on the "Nationalisation of the Old English Universities," the "Saturday Review" writes:—"The mediæval system, as everyone knows, brought to the Cam and Isis students from all classes of society. Whatever their social station before they came up, from noble to menial, it continued the same, without any false shame or pretence, at college. Bonner, when Bishop of London, gave 'a great brassepott, in acknowledgement whence he had his rise,' to the hall in whose kitchen he had been a scullion. Bishop Prideaux trudged to Oxford and served the spit in Exeter kitchen. Another prelate, Robinson, began at the ploughtail and ended as ambassador. Whitefield carried the leather jack to 'the gentlemen' in the Pembroke Hall as he had done to boors in his mother's ale-house at Gloucester. Oxford was to him no place of humiliation, but a 'sweet retirement,' a gate to the priesthood. Heber defended and Gladstone regretted this old order, which enabled the plebeii filius to mix naturally with the filius equitis, without any make-believe of equal habits and expenses. However, though not abolished in theory even yet, it had already become an anachronism a century ago. Except scholars and exhibitioners few came to Oxford and Cambridge but the well-to-do. The reformers tried to extend University advantages to a humbler class of students in two ways. The revival of the non-collegiate system was honestly intended, but has greatly disappointed expectation. The entries at Oxford this term have fallen to 43, and it is found that non-collegiates try, when possible, to take their degree from a college. The other change, less honestly intended, was to throw open all scholarships to merit. It might have been foreseen that this reform would merely hand over endowments left for the assistance of the poor to those whose means made it possible to be meritorious. A large number of sharp young men who could well afford a University course are every year presented with a reward of £320. In fact it was for themselves rather than the poor clerk that the colleges desired 'equality of opportunity.' 'We do not want needy men but able men,' was the frank answer of the tutors of one society to the Commissioners. A discreditable scramble for the cleverest schoolboys is the result. With the leavings, which are not worth offering as bribes, the colleges do what they can in an unostentatious way to help struggling and deserving students. Economies have been introduced. And indeed there has been a certain levelling; for the rich undergraduate, though not less given to pleasure than of old, is less profusely open-handed, and likes to get his money's worth, while the poor man wants to do as others do. Athletics cost a good deal, and everybody intends to 'have a good time.' George Herbert 'had to fast for it' when he bought a book; 'plain living and high thinking' is not a modern ideal. Canon Gore spoke the other day at St. Mary's of the depressing truth that 'after half a century of reform it is impossible to say that there is a deeper or wider thirst for knowledge in our schools or universities.' For now there are as many idle poor men as rich."

THE BRITISH OFFICER.

(From the "Spectator.")

We have been told again and again, and with absolute truth, that "the men are splendid." In no case recorded in history have the rank and file of an army shown higher qualities in the matter of courage, endurance, and good heart than the private soldiers of the British Army in South Africa—regulars, militia, volunteers, yeomanry, and colonials. But while we ought to give the men their full meed of praise, we ought not to forget their officers. We have no hesitation in saying that, taken as a whole, the British officer, not merely for bravery and devotion—that goes without saying—but for military and manly qualities generally, has come through the great ordeal with a reputation, if possible, enhanced. To say that he has shown himself "a stupid lion" is ridiculous. The British officer has not shown himself stupid in mind any more than he has shown himself feeble in body or in spirit. But some of our readers will doubtless say: "If that is so, why have so many stupid things been done in the war, and why have you and the rest of the critics of the war been constantly complaining as to this or that fault of omission or commission? Either the British officer is stupid, or else the criticisms passed on the war are unfounded." By no means can we admit this dilemma. It is true that a great many stupid things have been done, but not because the British officer is stupid. He is not stupid. In fact, he is rather above the average of his class in mental acquirements. The ordinary city man, the ordinary barrister or solicitor, the professional and business man generally, is by no means mentally above the officer. The reason why stupid things have been done by and through him, and stupid things on a large scale and with such tremendous consequences, must be sought in the defective organisation of the army, and not in the mental characteristics of the officers. The proof of this is to be found in the fact that if officers are taken out of their own profession and set to do other work they habitually do it extraordinarily well. Think of the good administrative work done in India by soldiers. Note, further, the railway work done in South Africa during the present war. We believe we are right in saying that the railways have been run almost entirely by British officers, most of whom were caught up by chance from ordinary regiments. Subalterns were commandeered for the railways, and put at a moment's notice to do perfectly new work, and most excellently have they done it. Stupid men could not do that. Take, again, the organisation and leadership of the irregular corps. We praise, and rightly praise, these admirable bodies of men, whose true soldierly qualities have been as conspicuous as their indifference to drill and impedimenta discipline. Yet these bodies have, as a rule, been commanded by British officers. If the British officer were as stupid as he is sometimes represented, he would not have been able to do that.

But if the British officer is not stupid per se, and does not do stupid things when he is taken out of his regular environment, it is pretty clear that the fault is in the environment and not in him. If the system and organisation of the British Army are at fault, surely we ought to be able to find some means of reform—some new modelling of the organisation which would provide, not a school of stupid action, but just the reverse. We shall perhaps be told that the only way in which the change could be produced would be by resigning a portion of that system of rigid obedience which pervades a well-disciplined army. It will be urged, in fact, that the occasional doing of stupid things is part of the price we have to pay for the unquestioning carrying out of orders. In other professions it is possible for man to question an order which it seems to him must be mistaken. In an army the order must be carried out at all hazards, correct or mistaken, and only very rarely is it possible to avoid a mistaken command. No doubt there is something in this view, and no doubt also it is necessary to keep up strict and unquestioning military obedience, but would it not be possible to discover a system under which the mental blight produced by an obedience rendered perinde ac cadaver should be got rid of? We do not say absolutely that it can be, but we think that some effort should be made in that direction. In the navy they seem able to keep an iron discipline, and yet manage not to impair the initiative of either officers or men. A naval officer once answered our question succinctly by the reply, "There are no torpedo boats in the army." He meant, of course, that the army officer had not, like his naval brother, the opportunity given him to exercise independent and responsible command early in life. But would it not be possible so to organise the army that there would be the equivalent of torpedo-boat commands? Could not some system be devised by which soldiers should be trained to responsibility earlier in their career? Officers must, no doubt, be taught to obey just as men must, but could not the instruction be given so as to develop, not restrict, individuality and initiative? No doubt the sailor, both officer and bluejacket, has the immense advantage of being trained at definite and real pieces of work. All the work on board ship is real and means something definite, and is so educative to the mind; whereas the bulk of the soldier's work—i.e., drill—is largely unreal and meaningless, or, at any rate, apparently meaningless. Indeed, we cannot help wondering whether drill and the carrying out of the drill ideals do not to a certain extent produce an atrophy of the mind. Drill, on one side of it, is no doubt intended to produce a kind of hypnotic condition in the soldier, a condition which fits him to carry out the suggestions of the officer instantly and without thinking. But the hypnotic condition does not make for intelligent appreciation either of the situation at the moment or of the situation that may be coming. It is true that sailors are drilled, but then they find in the hundred realities of ship work a corrective to drill. Seamanship is too difficult an art to allow men to get dull at it. Many of the operations, even though repeated a hundred times, require a mental effort, and so sharpen the intelligence. Rifle practice is almost the only part of soldiering which does not tend to become mechanical. If it were possible to develop some form of general training for soldiers which would awaken the intelligence the effect would be as beneficial to the officers as to the men. To teach and superintend a system based on mechanical routine is bound in the long run to prove injurious to the mind.

As we have said, the British officer is not a stupid person. The ablest officers are among our ablest men, and in the rank and file of officers the mental average is distinctly high. But though the British officer is not stupid, he has, at any rate as far as the ordinary regimental officer is concerned, a stupefying profession. Hence the problem is not how to get clever officers—we have got them already—but how to render the effects of militarism less stupefying. Whether the British military system can be rendered less stupefying, and if so, how, it is not for us to decide. The necessary changes and modifications could only be suggested by those far more conversant with the purely technical details than we are. We cannot attempt anything beyond the humbler task of declaring, and that we do with strong conviction, that the greatest army reformer will be the man who will alter our military system in such a way as to prevent it being a mental anodyne, and render it instead a mental stimulant. That accomplished, we shall have clever officers in a clever army, and not, as now, clever officers in a stupid army.

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MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

RESULT OF SATURDAY'S POLLING.

Saturday was polling day in many of the municipalities both in the suburbs and country parts in connection with the election of aldermen and auditors. This year in the suburban districts very little interest was as a rule taken by ratepayers in the proceedings. In several of the boroughs, such as Botany, North Botany, Erskineville, and other parts, where as a rule a keen battle is fought, this year there was no contest at all, the aldermen having a walk-over. In other municipalities one or two of the wards only were contested. A glance at the returns below will show that in a large number of instances the polling was very close, a few votes often separating the contestants. The following are the details of the voting:—

SUBURBAN.

Annandale.—Owen Ridge, 523; Thomas Coyle, 515; William Wells, 473; G. H. Smith, 451 (elected); John Grant, 363. Informal, 1. Extraordinary vacancy caused by the resignation of Alderman J. J. Maxwell: J. T. Starling, 352 (elected); E. J. Brierley, 172. As auditors: J. T. Finlay, 557; S. H. Abrams, 452 (elected); W. G. Winton, 398. Alderman Allen Taylor (Mayor) was the returning officer.

Ashfield.—Polling-day at Ashfield aroused considerably more than usual interest, and about 7 p.m. the Mayor (Alderman E. C. V. Broughton, M.L.A.) announced the result of the election as follows:—North Ward: Alderman John S. Whitney, 339 (elected); G. H. Pike, 335; informal, 3. South Ward: Alderman Geo. Brown, 525 (elected); J. Mills, 327; informal, 12. East Ward: Alderman Sydney G. Smith, 689 (elected); T. Dean, 393; informal, 15. Auditors: G. E. Westherill, 1579 (elected); E. Molesworth, 1361 (elected); A. Brown, 1229; informal, 106.

Auburn.—North Ward: C. Dyer, 63; A. J. Skinner, 38; W. Clark, 24. Majority for C. Dyer, 25. West Ward: R. M. Pritchard, 58; J. W. Lees, 56. Majority for R. M. Pritchard, 2. Local option vote: Against new publicans' licenses or removals, 204; for, 89.

Balmain.—Very little interest was taken by the ratepayers in connection with Saturday's elections. Only two wards were contested. Alderman J. J. Wheeler was the returning officer, and declared the results of the election as follows:—North Ward: Alfred George Crump (re-elected unopposed). North-east Ward: Alexander Martin Milne (re-elected unopposed). South-east Ward: Henry Mills (re-elected unopposed). South-west Ward: Harry Cox, 627 (re-elected); Peter M'Laughlin, 620. Informal, 15. Majority for Cox, 7. Extraordinary vacancies caused through the resignations of Aldermen W. Williams and C. Tayler—North Ward: William J. Laws (elected unopposed). South-east Ward: George Edward Young, 173 (elected); Captain J. East Gray, 143; William Moffitt Burns, 48. Informal, 12. Majority for Young, 30. As auditors: Ernest Benjamin Shaw and Richard T. Stewart (re-elected unopposed).

Bexley.—The result of the polling was:—J. G. Griffin, J.P., 227; C. A. Howard, 207; J. Falconer, 175; C. H. Austin, 145; E. Godwin, 108; informal votes, 23. The three first-named were elected, Messrs. Griffin and Falconer being newly returned aldermen in the place of Messrs. Austin and Godwin, those retiring.

Burwood.—North Ward: Alderman M. Sheppard, 320 (elected); Frederick Williams, 100. South Ward: Alderman W. Archer, M.L.A. (unopposed). East Ward: Alderman W. L. Dash, 138 (elected); A. A. Goldsmid, 131; H. Hart, 77. Auditors: R. H. Rowe, 551 (elected); F. A. Broughton, 542 (elected); T. Rutherford, 428. The Mayor (Alderman W. G. Crane) was returning officer.

Concord.—A poll for the election of two aldermen and two auditors was taken on Friday at Concord, the results being as follows:—Alderman William Keep Chapman, 240; Alderman Thomas Obed Correy, 229; J. Perry, 167. For auditors: J. C. Townsend, 232; P. H. Moreton, 221; F. R. Byrne, 180. Alderman H. S. Thompson (Mayor) was the returning officer. The official declaration of the election of Alderman Chapman and Alderman Correy to the vacant aldermanic seats, and of Messrs. Townsend and Moreton as auditors, was made on Saturday.

Drummoyne.—As aldermen—Bourke Ward: Patrick James Byrne (re-elected unopposed). Drummoyne Ward: William Nottingham, George Palmer (re-elected unopposed). Birkenhead Ward: Joseph J. Gates, 163 (elected); Ernest Henry Burgess, 92. Informal, 9. Majority for Gates, 71. As auditors: Joseph Pride, 221 (re-elected); James Barclay Shand, 187 (elected); Alexander Watt, 134; John Thomas Kelly, 121; Arthur Tillett, 54. Informal, 14. Alderman Thomas Henley (Mayor) was the returning officer.

Enfield.—There was a contest in two of the Enfield wards for the position of aldermen, the arrangements being under the control of Alderman T. Hodson, J.P. (Mayor). The results were:—East Ward: Alderman T. Light, 59 (elected); G. H. Sparkes, 15; informal, 6. Central Ward: Alderman A. E. Weil, 121 (elected); J. Moore, 50; informal, 5. West Ward: Alderman H. G. Lipscombe (unopposed). Auditors: G. C. Hickson, 147 (elected); T. Rutherford, 126; (elected); W. Wallace, 117; A. Hughes, 99.

Five Dock.—Small interest was evinced at Five Dock in connection with the contest for aldermen. Only one seat was contested, the result being:—West Ward: Alderman C. J. Hill, 33 (elected); W. G. Eyles, 10. East Ward: Alderman W. J. Myler (unopposed). North Ward: Alderman R. M'Lean (unopposed).

Granville.—West Ward: E. Dawes, 85; W. H. Windsor, 72; J. Colquhoun, 69; H. E. Jones, 32. Informal, 9. Majority for E. Dawes, 13. South Ward: O. G. Symons, 37; J. T. Kirk, 36. Informal, 1. Majority for Symons, 1.

Hurstville.—The Hurstville Progress Association had nominated in the Hurstville Ward a candidate in the person of Mr. John Gardiner in opposition to the retiring alderman, Mr. Hugh Patrick, J.P. The Ratepayers' Association, a second organisation in the same ward, whilst not nominating any candidate, threw in their lot with Alderman Patrick, and both bodies worked in support of the respective candidates, the result being that Alderman Patrick was returned by a majority of 72. In the Penshurst Ward the Hurstville Progress Association's nominee, Alderman G. F. Brown, also suffered defeat by the nominee of the Penshurst Progress Association (Mr. H. P. Poulton) by a majority of four votes, the latter being new to public life. The polling was:—Hurstville Ward: Hugh Patrick, J.P., 228 (elected); John Gardiner, 156; informal, 2. Penshurst Ward: H. P. Poulton, Hurstville booth 34, Penshurst booth 63, total 97 (elected); Alderman G. F. Brown, Hurstville booth 74, Penshurst booth 19, total 93; informal, 2.

Lane Cove.—As aldermen—Central Ward: James Robb, 52; James William Tomlin, 40. Informal, 1. Majority for Alderman Robb, 12. East Ward: Alderman William Clark (re-elected unopposed). West Ward: George Reeves (elected unopposed). Extraordinary vacancy—East Ward: Robert John Harrison (elected); Cyril Blacket (retired). As auditors: Messrs. William M. C. Audsley and Herbert Buck (re-elected unopposed).

Leichhardt.—Great interest was centred in the elections. Two of the retiring aldermen were defeated. The result of the polling was as follows:—As aldermen—North Ward: Alfred E. Hearn (re-elected unopposed). Cook Ward: James Lonsdale, 205 (elected); Laurence O'Toole, 92. Informal, 1. Majority for Lonsdale, 173. Kendall Ward: William J. Pearson, 219 (elected); Patrick Geraghty, 81; W. H. Shelton, 28. Informal, 6. Majority for Pearson, 138. Wentworth Ward: Nathaniel C. Neal, 341 (elected); Thomas E. Colebrook, 243; J. Nimmo, 32. Informal, 37. Majority for Neal, 101. As auditors: J. G. Pigg and J. W. Ayling (re-elected unopposed).

Manly.—The Mayor (Alderman E. W. Quirk, M.L.A.) acted as returning officer, and the polling resulted as under:—Fairlight Ward: Alderman J. B. Meyer (unopposed). Steyne Ward: Alderman H. E. Stevenson—Manly 60, Sydney 46, total 106; Mr. F. W. Heaton—Manly 54, Sydney 30, total 84. Majority for Alderman Stevenson, 22. Wentworth Ward: Alderman J. F. Walker—Manly 49, Sydney 73, total 122; Mr. F. J. Sommerhoff—Manly 9, Sydney 9, total 18. Majority for Alderman Walker, 104. Auditors: Messrs. F. Hunt and J. F. Wedderburn (unopposed).

Marrickville.—Polling took place in three out of the four wards, viz., East, South, and West wards. In the South Ward there were two aldermen returned, one to take the place of Alderman M'Lean, M.P., who resigned, and the other to fill the ordinary vacancy caused by the retirement of Alderman Langley, who did not seek re-election. In the North Ward Alderman James Gould was returned unopposed. The following is the result of the poll:—East Ward: G. W. Brewer (elected), 298; J. J. Farr, 278. Informal, 5. Majority for Brewer, 20. South Ward (ordinary vacancy): A. S. Holmes (elected), 215; J. W. Quinn, 172. Informal, nil. Majority for Holmes, 43. South Ward (extraordinary vacancy): J. Thornley (elected), 234; H. W. Dudley, 160. Informal, 10. Majority for Thornley, 65. West Ward: J. P. Josephson (elected), 272; A. M. Heron, 131. Informal, 2. Majority for Josephson, 138. The auditors, Messrs. G. B. Whitelaw and R. J. Thompson, were elected unopposed.

Mosman.—As aldermen—North Ward: James John Glover, 218; Gowrie Hastings Ruthven, 149. Majority for Alderman Glover, 69. East Ward: Frederick Resolute Strange, 322; Sydney Holland Cabban, 265. Majority for Alderman Strange, 57. West Ward: Sydney Smith, 157; George Washington Walker, 71. Majority for Alderman Smith, 86. Auditors: Messrs. John Edgar Hartley Hellawell and Alma William White (elected unopposed).

Newtown.—Polling took place in Camden, Kingston, and O'Connell wards for the election of aldermen, and throughout the whole borough for the election of auditors. Considerable interest was manifested in the proceedings, and in the Kingston Ward Alderman Crozier only defeated Mr. J. Abigail by one vote. The returning officer (Alderman Dolman) announced the result of the poll as follows:—Camden Ward: J. Archibald (elected), 255; W. C. Clegg, 153; W. Gledhill, 56. Informal, 6. Majority for Archibald, 102. Kingston Ward: C. F. Crozier (elected), 155; J. Abigail, 154. Informal, 4. Majority for Crozier, 1 vote. O'Connell Ward: J. Salmon (elected), 352; J. W. Rumpf, 174. Informal, 8. Majority for Salmon, 178. As auditors: W. H. Cadogan (elected), 890; W. Marshall (elected), 733; A. H. Lockman, 700. Informal, 84. Alderman Rigg was elected unopposed for the Camden Ward.

North Sydney.—As aldermen—Kirribilli Ward: Edward Mann Clark, M.L.A. (re-elected unopposed). Tunks Ward: John Robert Hardie, 136; David D. Middleton, 99. Informal, 1. Majority for Alderman Hardie, 37. Belmore Ward: William James Slack, 138; Ernest Cooney, 73. Informal, 3. Majority for Mr. Slack, 65. Victoria Ward: Thomas Proctor Lester (re-elected unopposed). Warringah Ward: Gerald Joseph Barry (re-elected unopposed). As auditors: Messrs. William Henry Perry and William Henry M'Lean (re-elected unopposed).

Parramatta.—Anderson Ward: W. Price, 391; F. S. Hunt, 308. Informal, 9. Majority for W. Price, 83. Forest Ward: J. Toohey, 206; W. Board, 172. Informal, 2. Majority for J. Toohey, 30.

Petersham.—The Mayor (Alderman H. Davis) was returning officer. The results were:—Annandale Ward: Alderman R. A. Barry, 534 (elected); J. Wheeler, 112. Informal, 5. Lewisham Ward: Alderman J. W. Cockbaine, 496 (elected); T. J. Hoskins, 351. Informal, 14. South Kingston Ward: Alderman E. R. Halloran, 132 (elected); G. Jones, 12. Informal, 2. Sydenham Ward: Alderman M. M'Mahon, 106 (elected); A. W. Smith, 96. Informal, 6. Auditors: J. E. Salier and G. B. Gough unopposed.

Randwick.—West Ward: Mr. J. C. M'Dougall, 226 votes (Randwick 87, Sydney 139), elected; Mr. J. G. Huddart, 119 (Randwick 65, Sydney 54). Informal, 20. Majority for Mr. M'Dougall, 107. Coogee Ward: Alderman A. T. D'Arcy Irvine, 98 votes (Coogee 33, Sydney 65), elected; Mr. William Houston, 73 (Coogee 38, Sydney 35). Informal, 1. Majority for Alderman Irvine, 25. The result of the poll was declared at the Town Hall by the Mayor (Alderman I. B. Hodgson) shortly before 7 p.m. Little interest was taken in the proceedings. For South Ward: Alderman J. Hincks was re-elected unopposed, and Alderman J. G. Carter re-elected for Middle Ward.

Rockdale.—The polling took place on Friday, and resulted thus:—Arncliffe Ward: Alderman W. G. Judd, 187 (elected); W. Alderson, 122. Hopetoun Ward: J. B. Gibson, 162 (elected); J. Rennie, 129. Scarborough Ward: The Mayor (J. F. Hegarty), 174 (elected); James Watson, 17. Auditors: F. Pittman, 165; Alex. Reed, 445 (elected); G. Hattersley, 352; J. Foote, 282.

Rookwood.—Central Ward: R. Thomas, 88; H. Gilliver, 50. Majority for Thomas, 38. South Ward: T. Gilmour, 55; W. H. Waite, 45; Thomas Board, 39. Majority for T. Gilmour, 10. Auditors: J. R. H. Ridley, 203; E. Williams, 189; James Knox, 82; R. Peek, 63. The two first-named were elected.

St. Peters.—Polling took place in one ward only, viz., St. Peters Ward, with the following results:—Ex-Alderman Hayes, 44; Alderman Harber, 33. Majority for Hayes, 11 votes. In the other wards the Mayor (Alderman Campbell) was re-elected unopposed for Brompton Ward; and Alderman W. Osgood re-elected unopposed for Cook's River Ward.

Strathfield.—There was no opposition to the candidates for aldermanic honours at Strathfield, and the returning officer has announced that the following have been elected:—Homebush Ward: Alderman T. F. H. Mackenzie, M.L.A. Flemington Ward: Alderman J. Price. Strathfield Ward: Alderman F. W. Parsons. Auditors: Messrs. H. B. Allard and A. R. Harwood.

Waterloo.—Polling took place in three wards, viz., North, East, and West, with the following results:—North Ward: John Navin, 136; Frederick Hough, 134. Informal, 24. Majority for Navin, 2 votes. East Ward: Thomas Danks, 142 votes; T. Gilman, 87 votes. Informal, 9. Majority for Danks, 55 votes. West Ward: L. P. Williams, 211; John Sweeney, 81. Informal, 3. Majority for Williams, 130 votes. South Ward: Alderman Lamond, re-elected unopposed. Auditors: Messrs. Medcalf and Cole re-elected unopposed.

Waverley.—The election of aldermen in the contested wards caused some interest throughout the day. The voting was as follows:—Bondi Ward: T. K. Nurthen, 133 votes; D. Hogan, 126. Informal, 11. Lawson Ward: J. C. Humphrey, 462 votes; E. Keys, 98. Informal, 7.

Willoughby.—The number of aldermen to be elected was unusually large owing to the resignation of three aldermen in addition to those retiring by effluxion of time. The results were as follows:—As aldermen—Chatswood East Ward: Alderman Fett Charles Petrie (unopposed). Chatswood West Ward: Hugh Duff, 113; Herbert G. Freeman, 107; Alfred William Sharland, 83. Majority for Mr. Duff, 6. Middle Harbour Ward: Thomas Ackling (unopposed). Naremburn Ward: William Cleland, jun., 99; Sydney Ed. Sutton, 84. Majority for Mr. Cleland, 15. Extraordinary vacancy—Chatswood West (for the seat rendered vacant by the resignation of Robert Henry Gordon): John Herbert Mason, 184; David Blelloch, 128. Majority for Mr. Mason, 56. Chatswood West (for the seat rendered vacant by the resignation of Norman Frederick Giblin): John Symonds Endacott Ellis, 187; Alfred Browne, 132. Majority for Mr. Ellis, 55. Middle Harbour Ward (for the seat rendered vacant by the resignation of Alderman George Francis Bailey): William Pennington Prentice, 85; William Thomas Muston, 46. Majority for Mr. Prentice, 39. Auditors: Messrs. William Neville Cuthbertson and Robert Todd Forsyth (elected unopposed).

Woollahra.—Double Bay Ward: Alderman Bell, 184 votes; G. F. Williamson, 172. Piper Ward: Alderman T. Fairweather, 332 votes; W. H. Drew, 308. Informal, 3.

COUNTRY.

Albury.—As aldermen: R. M. Wilkinson, W. J. Bilson, and A. Mudge.

Ballina.—C. B. Street, 84; A. Fenwick, 79; R. K. Smith, 72; J. Richardson, 64. The three first-named were returned.

Berry.—Alderman Towers has been elected Mayor of Berry. Alderman Walker has been re-elected Mayor of Broughton Vale. Mr. John Ison, the retiring Mayor of Berry, is leaving the district. He was presented with an address by the aldermen in recognition of his valuable services.

Bourke.—The municipal elections passed off quietly and resulted: Central Ward, Dr. Faithfull (re-elected); West Ward, W. H. Daniell (re-elected unopposed); East Ward, no nomination. Auditors: Messrs. David Grey and H. M. Ware.

Bowral.—Oxley Ward: Moses Jones, 51; J. M. Christie, 45. Aldermen Oxley and Murray were returned unopposed for Glebe and Merilbah Wards respectively.

Braidwood.—P. P. Maher, G. F. Taylor, W. A. Kershaw were elected aldermen. The other candidate, M. Connell, was defeated by two votes. Mr. J. M. Craig was elected unopposed for the extraordinary vacancy caused through Mr. James M'Donald having resigned.

Burrowa.—Aldermen: W. Rutter and J. Argent. Auditors: J. W. Costello and J. Phillips.

Camden.—Polling for the three vacant seats resulted: E. F. Druitt, 248 votes, W. C. Furner, 213; S. Proctor, 167; H. Moore, 113; T. M. Shiels, 26. Messrs. W. Sidman and H. M'Keown were re-elected auditors without opposition.

Campbelltown.—James Graham, 232; G. Spearing, 184; A. E. Fowler, 165; F. Merewether, 117; informal, 5 (three to be elected).

Carcoar.—For two aldermen: J. G. Derwin, 64; J. E. Watson, 53; J. T. Darington, 34.

Casino.—W. G. Simpson, 162; F. Carmont, 148; P. E. Balzer, 147.

Cobar.—Hogan, 234; Clifton, 214; Robinson, 208. As auditors: Budd, 201; Healy, 139.

Cooma.—James Hugh Montague, 148; William Amess, 125; John Arthur Perkins, 120; George Kaufline, 86; George Proctor, 62; George Rolfe, 52; informal, 4. The first three were elected. As auditors: John A. Seller, 140; Ernest H. Quodling, 107; Henry Gunning, 98; Isaac Albert Shannon, 85; informal, 5. The first two were elected.

Cowra.—William Faulkner Ormiston, 203; William Golsby, 197; Rose, 192. Three retiring aldermen—Mawby (Mayor), Links, and Deeley—were defeated.

Deniliquin.—East Ward: F. Jane, 138 votes; M. J. Carew, 63. West Ward: A. B. Jefferson, 65 votes; P. Fagan, 50.

Dungog.—Little or no interest was shown in the municipal election. Only 30 ratepayers recorded votes. For the three vacancies the following were elected:—J. M'Laughlin, 52 votes; F. A. Hooke, 51 votes; J. Robson, 45 votes. The other candidate, E. Young, obtained nine votes.

East Maitland.—G. P. Masterman 185, A. Burg 180, B. E. Sullivan 172 (elected), P. Burke 160. Mr. Burke has been a member of the council for 32 consecutive years.

Forbes.—G. F. Hutchinson, 321; E. H. Weaver, 295; A. D. Nelson, 289; J. H. Catts, 271; W. G. Dodd, 199. Mr. Catts received 98 plumpers. The first three were returned.

Goulburn.—The municipal polling resulted:—North Ward: Tisdale, 120 votes; Kercher, 55. South Ward: W. E. Dwyer, 45 votes; A. W. Newman, 26.

Jerilderie.—Thomas Walter Wise, 53; Frederick Brooks, 40; Adam Smith, 6. As auditors: Tevelen and Kearney. Local option voting: For new licenses to be granted, 7 for and 17 against; for the renewal of licenses, 10 for and 15 against.

Junee.—East Ward, Harry Roberts, 44 votes; Frederick Davis, 25 votes.

Katoomba.—As aldermen: A. J. Craig, 203; W. F. Goyder, 183; — Nunn, 157; J. F. Tabrett, 131; R. H. Esgate, 100; H. Scope, 94; G. James, 90; J. J. Pannell, 87; J. Blakey, 22. As auditors: R. Braydon, 232; R. Coulson, 202; C. W. Craig, 198; J. Innes, 106. Informal, 11.

Kiama District.—North Ward (borough of Jamberoo): Hugh Fredericks, 90 votes; John Duggans, 37.

Lismore.—The following candidates were elected:—C. M'Kenzie, R. Balmer, R. Spinks, H. Mood. One retiring alderman—V. Norris—was defeated by only two votes. He had served for a period of 18 years.

Lithgow.—Clwydd Ward: J. A. S. Jones (returned), 130; R. Crawford, 28; H. A. Midgley, 16. Eskbank Ward: J. W. Spooner and William Tait tied at 52 each. Eskbank Ward (extraordinary vacancy): John Jones, 59 (returned); Henry Dyball, 43. As auditors: Charles Goodwin, 273; Edwin Truscott, 228 (both returned); J. F. M'Mahon, 118; P. Mearns, 96.

Manilla.—Ex-alderman Bailey and G. H. Wheatley were elected.

Morpeth.—Messrs. F. E. Fox, C. Edwards, and E. T. Swan were re-elected aldermen.

Moama.—As aldermen: F. Geddes, A. E. Bartlett. Auditors: H. Jones and J. C. Smith.

Nowra.—Central Ward: W. W. Wood, 139; T. R. Peak, 118. North Ward: Arthur R. Morton, 120; W. E. Holloway, 48. Mr. Hugh M'Kenzie was re-elected Mayor of South Shoalhaven.

Penrith.—As aldermen—North Ward: The Rev. E. Hargrave, 89; E. E. N. Haynes, 74. Informal, 1. South Ward: William Perritt, 81; J. J. Herahan, 61. Informal, 1.

Queanbeyan.—J. T. Collett, 81; H. J. Dixie, 76; F. G. Atkinson, 72; W. Pike, 69; C. J. O'Rourke, 62.

Quirindi.—Percy Digby Cox, 143; Edwin Abel Douglas, 104; William Barber, 100; John Phillip Rogers, 94; Louis Clarendon Whittle, 83; Charles Waters, 78; informal, nil. The first three were elected. On the referendum for a lighting rate being struck, 143 voted in favour and 76 against the proposal. There were nine informal votes.

St. Marys.—As aldermen—West Ward: George Innes, 51; J. Morris, 20.

Tamworth.—Cohen Ward: G. H. Newman, 208; A. Howlett, 151. Lye Ward: A. Matheson, 114; C. R. Adams, 105.

Taree.—S. T. Lean, 112; Horace Beeton, 102; C. Doyle, 80. The first two were elected.

Temora.—Nicholson, Donnelly, and Giles, the three old aldermen, were elected. W. Lucas was defeated.

Tenterfield.—West Ward: Edward William Whereat. North Ward: Frederick Kneipp.

Uralla.—The municipal election resulted:—Bardsley 55 votes, Henry 51, M'Mahon 31, and Masterton 27. The first two were elected.

Wellington.—For three aldermen: William Patrick Kelly, 240; John Irving, 231; Samuel Bembrick, 231; Joseph Fleming Walker, 222; George Burton Brown, 197. Informal, 2.

Wilcannia.—The municipal elections resulted:—Dey, 76 votes; Sullivan, 46; Morrison, 34; Messrs. Newberry and Norman, 33 votes each; and Campion, 27. The first three were elected.

Wollongong.—West Ward: W. M'Kenzie. North Ward: H. Collings. As auditors: C. F. Smith and W. H. Rees.

Wyalong.—Neeld, 230; Peach, 216; Coulson, 207; Reynell (the retiring alderman), 169; Nelson, 155; M'Corkill, 150.

MAYORAL ELECTIONS.

Burrowa.—Alderman Stevenson was unanimously elected for the eleventh time.

Erskineville.—At a special meeting of the Erskineville Council held on Friday evening, Alderman Robinson was unanimously elected Mayor for the ensuing year.

Kiama.—At a special meeting of the Kiama Borough Council Alderman Michael N. Hindmarsh was re-elected Mayor for another term.

West Maitland.—Alderman F. Liddell was unanimously elected Mayor.

Warialda.—Alderman M'Gregor was re-elected Mayor.

Wollongong.—Alderman O'Donnell has been re-elected Mayor for the Central Illawarra Council.

PADDINGTON.

Alderman W. H. Howard presided over a largely attended meeting of ratepayers of the borough of Paddington, which took place at the Five Ways, Glenmore-road, on Friday evening. The chairman said he was present to support the candidature of Mr. A. J. Barnes for the position of auditor for the borough. It was, he said, some years since there had been a change of auditors, and he, with the other aldermen, thought they should support Mr. Barnes, who was in every way qualified for the position.

Mr. Barnes, in addressing the meeting, said he was a candidate at the request of a number of the aldermen and large property-holders, who desired a change. He referred generally to the subject of "Municipal Finances," and considered the local council had done the best with the means at their disposal. If elected he would give his best services in the interest of the borough. Mr. Hyam Hains supported the candidate in a brief complimentary address. Mr. F. Meacle, J.P. (president of the Paddington branch of the Australian Natives' Association), also spoke in support, and moved a vote of confidence, which was unanimously carried.

Mr. J. F. Murphy, a candidate for Middle Ward, addressed a well-attended meeting of electors at the Royal Hotel, Glenmore-road, Paddington, on Friday evening. Mr. F. Meacle, J.P., was in the chair. Mr. Murphy explained at length his views upon the administration of municipal affairs, and promised, if returned, to take certain steps that he thought were necessary in the interests of the borough. Messrs. Hyam Hains, J. Inglis, and S. A. Byrne spoke in support of the candidate, who at the close of the meeting was accorded a vote of confidence.

THE LOCAL OPTION VOTE.

AN INEFFECTIVE AND COSTLY POLL.

In accordance with instructions received from the Justice Department, the local option vote was taken in the Central and South wards of the borough of North Botany on Friday. The object of taking this vote this year was that when it was taken in this borough a year ago so few voted that the result was regarded as ineffective to the requirements of the Act. The cost of the council on that occasion was £2 per vote. The Mayor and aldermen then protested against the taking of the vote when for years the whole thing had been a costly and ineffective operation. That the Act had to be complied with was the answer the council received. This year, as was the case 12 months ago, the aldermen were all re-elected without opposition, and the cost of going through an election would have been avoided but for the fact that the local option vote had to be taken. The result was that on Friday to take this vote presiding officers and poll clerks had to be appointed, and the whole machinery of a municipal election set in motion. The result was that during the day three only out of 635 ratepayers recorded their votes. Three out of the four officers appointed to take the poll also voted. That was the extent of the voting. The cost to the borough of going through what many of the aldermen termed a farce was £6. When the poll closed the returning officer announced the result of the voting to be as follows:—

Central Ward.—A Division: Two votes in favour of fresh licenses being granted and two against. B Division: Two votes in favour of the removal of existing licenses and one against.

South Ward.—A Division: Three votes in favour of fresh licenses being granted and none against. B Division: One vote in favour of the removal of existing licenses and two against.

TRADES AND LABOUR.

SHIP PAINTERS AND DOCKERS' UNION.

A special meeting of the Ship Painters and Dockers' Union was held at Dick's Hotel, Beattie-street, Balmain, for the purpose of discussing the provisions of the new Arbitration Act. Mr. G. Dulstone (vice-president) occupied the chair. Correspondence was received from the Brisbane Trades' Hall in reference to the wages obtaining in Queensland.

After some discussion it was decided to register under the Act, and a committee was appointed to draw up rules in conformity with the Act, such rules to be submitted at a special meeting to be held to-night.

QUARRYMEN'S EIGHT-HOUR SOCIETY.

A well-attended meeting of the Quarrymen's Eight-hour Society was held at the Trades' Hall, Mr. Gordon Smart was elected president, Mr. Davis vice-president, Mr. W. Green corresponding secretary, Mr. M. Burke financial secretary, and Mr. Potts treasurer. A committee was appointed to draw up a code of rules and regulations.

RAILWAY AND TRAMWAY ASSOCIATION.

The monthly meeting of the No. 1 (Sydney) branch of the New South Wales Amalgamated Railway and Tramway Service Association was held at the Trades' Hall on Thursday evening, when it was unanimously decided to recommend the council to register as an industrial union under the Arbitration Act. Messrs. J. Lamond, T. D. Richards, J. Gerrard, E. Chambers, and J. Eagle were nominated as delegates for the election of employees' representative on the Arbitration Court. Thirty new members were admitted.

UNDERTAKERS ASSISTANTS' UNION.

At a meeting of the Undertakers Assistants' Union, held on Friday evening at the Trades' Hall, it was resolved that in view of the fact that satisfactory conditions of labour could not be obtained from the employers the union should register under the terms of the Industrial Arbitration Act.

AUSTRALIAN WORKERS' UNION.

The Australian Workers' Union Conference met on Saturday morning, and the whole of its sitting was occupied in considering the management and future control of the Union newspaper. No final decision was arrived at when the conference adjourned until to-day.

TAMMANY HALL.

RETIREMENT OF RICHARD CROKER.

A New York telegram in the "San Francisco Call," dated January 11, says:—

"Richard Croker announced his retirement from the formal leadership of Tammany Hall this afternoon. The announcement was made at the meeting of the executive committee, at which the plan of organisation for the year 1902 was agreed upon. Mr. Lewis Nixon was chosen Mr. Croker's successor as chairman of the finance committee. This position, by long usage, carries with it the leadership of the organisation. In announcing the name of Mr. Nixon for the chairmanship of the finance committee Mr. George M. Van Hoesen, president of the general committee, said that the step was taken at the desire of Mr. Croker himself. Mr. Croker, however, did not express himself until all the business before the meeting had been transacted, when he rose and addressed the chair. There was a direct rustle of expectancy in the crowded room as he did so. He spoke in his habitual quiet manner, but such a stillness prevailed that every word he uttered was clearly heard by all. His tone was a conversational one, but there was something like a tremor in his voice, and he walked back and forth across the room in a way not entirely familiar to those who have often heard him speak. In beginning he said that the appointment of Mr. Nixon to the chairmanship of the finance committee had his full approval, and he hoped that Mr. Nixon would receive the same consideration and good will which had been extended to himself. He added: 'I know the young man well, and I believe that he will restore confidence in the organisation and bring back to its support the army of democrats that we lost at the last election. I hope that you will give him the same confidence that I have enjoyed. I am continually receiving letters from young men anxious to join this organisation who do not know how to join, and I hope that means will be found to bring more young men in. The people who left us for reasons of their own can never build an organisation up against yours upon patronage received from the Republican party. I think it is your duty to strengthen yourselves and to stand on principles, not on patronage. You know this organisation generally polls the largest vote when it has no patronage. I have been in the organisation 35 years, and during that period it has polled a larger vote proportionately in years when it had no patronage. So you need never fear the efforts of men who leave us because they wish to get positions. It is neglect of yourselves, and distrust of your leaders, which will hurt you. If you conduct this organisation with honesty and comply with the laws you can't be beat at any time. In conclusion, I want to ask you again to have the same confidence in Mr. Nixon that you have had in me, and I have no doubt of your success.'"

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CHURCH NEWS.

SERMON BY THE REV. DR. LAWES.

"OUR COLOURED FELLOW SUBJECTS."

A PLEA FOR EQUAL JUSTICE.

The Rev. Dr. W. G. Lawes, of New Guinea, preached yesterday morning in the Pitt-street Congregational Church on "Our Coloured Fellow Subjects," taking for his text a part of the 26th verse of the 17th chapter of the Acts, "And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth." He said it was not necessary for him to explain these words as they were as clear as any man could make them. He was glad to occupy that pulpit on that occasion to speak of the relationship which obtained amongst coloured races. He had lived for many years among the coloured races in the South Seas and in New Guinea, and therefore should be able to say something on the subject. He would speak of their coloured brethren as he had found them.

ALL MEN OF ONE STOCK.

In the text they had a statement clearly setting forth that men were all of one stock; all men had the same blood in their veins, and belonged to one family. There were many varieties of colour, and much diversity of speech and habit, but there was a distinct declaration that all men were equal. Climatic differences, habits of life, and other causes no doubt had a strong effect upon the colour of the races. It was a significant fact that the white races in the world were in a minority, coloured races outnumbering them by something like three to one. The first man was named Adam, a name that signified "red," so that probably if he had been here to seek admission to the Commonwealth of Australia he might have been refused under the provisions of the alien law.

LIBERAL JEWISH LEGISLATION.

The legislation of Moses was far more generous than the legislation of modern times. That legislation was set forth in portions of the 19th chapter of Leviticus, which he had read as one of the lessons:—"If a stranger sojourn with thee in your land, ye shall not vex him. But the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself; for ye were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God." They might put aliens in the light of the "strangers" mentioned by Moses. There was need for them to repeat their text over again.

PROTEST AGAINST COLOURED RACES.

The white races protested against the coloured skins. In Australia they received coloured people from the South Sea Islands, from India and from Japan. Large numbers of their fellow subjects, such as the Fijians and other South Sea Islanders were coloured, and so also in British New Guinea. Of those the man in the street said they were inferior races, and they should not be treated the same as white men. It was not the Boers only who regarded the coloured natives as cattle, and treated them as mere animals. The Boer view of the native was that taken by some of our own colonists. A Rhodesian (South Africa) newspaper recently regretted that white men had been hanged for shooting natives, either in cold or in hot blood. A white man in New Guinea told a missionary that the only way to get anything out of a native was by kicking him. A more serious case still was the summing up in a trial for the murder of a New Guinea native. The officer said that racial feeling was so strong that he could not hold the prisoner responsible, and he thereupon passed a sentence of six months' imprisonment, against which the accused angrily protested. Another white man who admitted having shot a woman was acquitted. For a similar offence another white man was fined £5. Moses' law said, "Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment: thou shalt not respect the person of the poor, nor honour the person of the mighty: but in righteousness shalt thou judge thy neighbours." There was to be one law for all, but in New Guinea it was different.

COMPARISON OF THE RACES.

His (Dr. Lawes') conviction was entirely with the statement that God had made of one blood all nations of men. Physically the coloured races were not inferior to the white. He remembered many instances of kindness, faithfulness, and affection that he had met with among the people of the South Seas and of New Guinea, whom he was proud to call his friends, and whose memory he should always cherish as good, true, and faithful men and women. In physical strength the dark races were on the same level as white men, and in athletic exercises the dark man was distinguished. One of the finest batsmen of the day was a coloured man, a prince. He had a very great respect for the mental power of the South Sea Islanders and New Guinea natives, and during his long missionary career he had never had to contend with mental incapacity on their part. In regard to the question of morals the white man could not sit in judgment on his black brother. He had lived in "clubland" with his wife, but he must bear his testimony and say that they were never molested or injured, though subjected to petty pilfering. Coloured men were generally polite.

THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

Every citizen of the Commonwealth was responsible for the well-being of these dark races. Was the history of Australia in regard to its dark races one of which any man could be proud? And was the history of the Commonwealth to be written on the same lines? It was supposed that there was one law for the rich and the poor. Was it to be said that there was one law for the white man, and another law for the black? In the case of New Guinea it had become ours by the voluntary cession of its owners. That cession carried with it certain conditions specifically set forth, that would be binding upon the Commonwealth when it should take over the administration of that island. In New Guinea they would have great responsibilities, and if they kept from these people the revelation of God's love, and they perished for lack of knowledge, would not their blood be required at our hands?

WELCOME TO THE REV. H. G. J. HOWE.

A social gathering of the parishioners of the newly-formed conventional district of the Church of England, Chatswood, was held in the Chatswood Hall on January 31 to welcome the rector (the Rev. H. G. J. Howe) and his wife. The Venerable Archdeacon Langley presided, and with him on the platform were the Revs. J. Dixon, N. Jones, A. Miller (Presbyterian), and J. Marshall Brown (Congregational). The chairman introduced the rector, and a cordial welcome was extended to him on behalf of the parishioners by Mr. E. P. C. M'Crae and Dr. Clarence Read. The rector responded, thanking those present for the kindly welcome extended to him. The secretary read a report of the movement since its inception some two months ago.

BALMAIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The annual meeting of the congregation of the Campbell-street Presbyterian Church, Balmain, was held on Thursday night. The Rev. J. F. Blair (pastor) presided. There was a large attendance of members and adherents of the church. The session's report was read and adopted. The communion roll showed a total of 349 members. The Sabbath school's report showed a total of 441 scholars and 52 teachers. The congregational account showed the finances to be in a healthy state. The income for the year was £915 4s 9d, while the expenditure was £896 5s 2d, leaving a credit balance on the year's working of £18 19s 7d. During the year £100 was paid off the debt owing the A.M.P. Society. The sum of £219 was paid off the debt of the church. Reports were received from the various organisations connected with the church, including the Sabbath Morning Fellowship Association, the Foreign Missions' Association, and the Young People's Christian Band, showing good progress in every branch. The following gentlemen were elected as members of the board of management for the ensuing year:—Messrs. David Chalmers, Charles Creer, Samuel Clark, Thomas Frazer, Robert Ferguson, T. J. Gibson, Hugh Harley, Alexander Hill, A. J. Hutchison, Benjamin Jenkins, James Oastler, John E. Paul, and George E. Young. Messrs. S. N. Hogg and J. S. Symington were appointed auditors.

BURWOOD WESLEYAN CHURCH.

Harvest festival services were held at the Burwood Wesleyan Church yesterday, the attendances being large. At the morning service the Rev. C. J. M'Coy preached an appropriate sermon, and the choir rendered anthems of a harvest praise character, and led the congregation spiritedly in the hymns. The music was of a specially bright and attractive nature. In the afternoon at 3 o'clock the Rev. T. W. Dunn controlled the service when there was a great gathering of the pupils of the Sunday-school and their teachers and parents. In the evening the congregation was again a large one, and the Rev. C. J. M'Coy conducted the service.

WESLEY CHURCH, CHIPPENDALE.

Special services were held in the Wesley Church, Chippendale, yesterday, in connection with the harvest festival. The church was appropriately decorated. The attendance at each of the services was large. The Rev. W. H. Beale preached in the morning. In the afternoon the service was conducted by the Revs. J. Nairn and F. Colwell. The first-named minister delivered an interesting address on "The Joy of harvest as seen in the relation of the Christian Church to everyday life." The Rev. Dr. Dill Macky occupied the pulpit in the evening. A large choir, under the conductorship of Mr. E. Lane, and an efficient orchestra rendered the musical service. Mr. J. W. E. Pople, Aus. Mus. L.R.C.M., presided at the organ. The anthems rendered were "Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem" (soloist Mrs. Lane), "Bringing in the Sheaves," "Great and Marvellous are Thy Works," "Rejoice in the Lord," and "The Earth is the Lord's." Miss Belle Ray sang solos at each of the services.

PRAYER FOR RAIN.

At several of the Wesleyan Methodist churches yesterday harvest festival services were held, and at all of them special prayers were offered for rain. Intercession that the drought might, by God's grace, be terminated was offered; while at the same time thanks were acknowledged for past mercies.

STUDENTS' CHRISTIAN UNION.

UNIVERSAL DAY OF PRAYER.

Yesterday afternoon a meeting for students and friends of the Students' Christian Union was held at the University, Mr. R. Y. Austin presiding. There was a large attendance of members of the union and of kindred unions. The meeting was in connection with the universal day of prayer. The Rev. Professor Harper delivered an address on the subject of prayer, basing it generally upon the fifth chapter of the first Epistle of St. John, but more particularly on that portion—"And this is the confidence that we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He heareth us. And if we know that He hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of Him." He pointed out that what the soul wanted was not what was often asked for: it sought God. The requests that were often made would, if granted literally, be the worst thing for the petitioners, but God gave something infinitely greater. His wisdom saw what was for the good of His people, and He gave what was best.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR.

The monthly meeting of the Balmain Local Union of Christian Endeavour was held in the rooms on Tuesday, the Rev. A. E. Blackwell (president) chairman. Satisfactory reports were received from the different societies. It was reported that the Primitive Methodist Society had been re-formed. The following officers were elected:—Assistant secretary, Mr. T. Lawson; junior superintendent, Miss Harris. The president in an address set forth his plan of work for his term of office. Mr. W. J. Laws (vice-president) was congratulated upon his election to the position of alderman in the local council.

The half-yearly meeting of the Darling-street, Balmain East, Methodist Church Christian Endeavour Society was held on Monday. The Rev. W. H. Williams (president) was chairman. Reports were received from committees. The syllabus for the ensuing six months was received from the executive committee and was adopted and ordered to be printed. The following officers were elected:—President, Rev. W. H. Williams; vice-presidents, Miss Wright and Mr. W. J. Laws; corresponding secretary, Miss Wright; recording secretary, Mr. T. Lawson; treasurer, Mr. W. J. Wright; council delegates, Mrs. Loutit and Mr. W. J. Laws; district union delegates, Miss Wright and Mr. Lawson; delegates to the Wesleyan Council, Rev. W. H. Williams, Mr. F. T. Garrard, and Miss Kessell. Committees were also appointed.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

On Friday evening a strong literary and debating society was formed in connection with the Y.M.C.A. Mr. Aubrey Halloran was elected chairman of the society. A sub-committee was elected to prepare syllabus, which will consist of MS. journals, debates, lectures, &c. About 25 young men were enrolled as members. Mr. Hennery presided.

YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION.

At the monthly meeting of the general committee of the Young Women's Christian Association on Thursday Mrs. Sully presided, and the following ladies were present:—Mesdames Wyatt Gill, E. Carr Hordern, W. H. M'Clelland, B. Palmer, C. F. Roberts, Misses Davy and Rennie. A resolution expressive of regret at the retirement of Mrs. F. W. Webb, who had been for many years a useful and active member of the committee, was passed. The committee received with much sorrow the announcement of the death of Mrs. Wilkinson, of Bowral, and directed that a letter of sympathy should be sent to the members of her family. Mrs. Wilkinson had long been an earnest worker in the association, and was the originator of the Bowral branch.

BURWOOD SCHOOL OF ARTS.

The annual meeting of the Burwood School of Arts was held in the institution last week. Mr. S. H. Lambton (president) occupied the chair. The annual report showed improvement in finances and in the number of subscribers. A debit balance of the previous year had been wiped out, and a credit of £2 15s existed at the close of 1901. The membership increased from 201 to 231. The number of books issued during the year was 14,000. The debt due to the mortgagee of the institution was £3000, but the sum of £39 4s 9d was in hand as the nucleus of a sinking fund to reduce that debt. The chess club was prospering. Many old books had been discarded, and £22 expended in new ones. Special thanks were accorded Mr. H. J. Murray for his interest in and support of the institution. The receipts totalled £442 6s 5d, and the expenditure, which included £180 for interest on loan, £439 11s 5d. The result of the election of officers was as follows:—President, Mr. S. H. Lambton; vice-presidents, Messrs. J. F. Hennessy and C. H. Morgan; hon. treasurer, Mr. G. B. Southwick; hon. secretary, Mr. H. J. Tress; committee, Messrs. Nicholson, Marsden, Finch, Conyers, and Slade.

THE BOER WAR.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The sole principle involved in the South African war has been "taxation and representation." The same principle was involved in the American war of independence. Kruger's understanding of this principle was that the working man should pay nine-tenths of the taxation and have no representation, and that the remaining tenth should be imposed (but not levied) on the Boers, the only party represented in the government of the country. In New South Wales we have manhood suffrage, which means representation without taxation, and yet in spite of this some are trying to delude the Labour party into expressing sympathy with "Kruger's practices."

The following excerpt from an American paper puts the matter clearly and forcibly, and will take a lot of answering. I am, &c., C. G. HODGSON.
February 6.

THE BOERS SUMMED UP.

"AGGRESSORS AND INVADERS."

A prominent citizen of Chicago, Mr. Thomas Grant, talked very plainly to the Boer peace delegates in an open letter.

"You issued," said Mr. Grant to the delegates, "an ultimatum to Great Britain commanding her to withdraw her troops from her own territory within a given number of days. Great Britain not having removed her troops as ordered by you, you immediately invaded the nearest British territory, took forcible possession of it, annexed it by proclamation to your own country, established local governments in every town that you occupied, levied taxes on the inhabitants, and, in fact, acted as absolute owners of the country. This is what you call 'fighting for your independence.'

"Some of these portions of British colonies have been occupied by you for six months. The British did not invade your country. Oh, but you say that they intended to do so. This is a mere assertion, unsupported by evidence. We are dealing with facts, and the facts are that you were the 'aggressors,' the 'invaders,' the 'declarers of war,' and yet you come before us posing as a peaceful agricultural people, who only wanted to be let alone, and ask for our sympathy.

"The fact is, you began this war in a moment of madness, when you were suffering from what the Americans call 'swelled head.' Now, when things seem to be going against you you run round the world for sympathy. You played for big stakes and you have lost. The game you have been trying to play is generally called, 'Heads I win, tails you lose.' You invaded and annexed a neighbouring country; that was all right in your eyes. Providence seemed on your side, and all was well. But when the tide turned, as any man but a lunatic knew it would turn, you cry out, 'Spare our independence.' 'We are simple farmers.' This won't do, gentlemen of the Boer deputation.

"The American people are not quite such fools as you think. You say that you are fighting for the same principle that our American forefathers did, in the end of last century. I can use plain English as well as President Kruger, and I say that statement is a deliberate lie. Our forefathers fought because they objected to be taxed without any representation in the taxing body. That system of taxation without representation is the very thing that you Boers have been carrying out in South Africa.

"You have been taxing Englishmen, Americans, Germans, and all foreigners, without giving them any voice in the government of the country. In fact, you are fighting against the principles that our forefathers fought for, and you know it. Yet you come here and ask for sympathy. You want someone to pull the chestnuts out of the fire for you, and you fix on the American people as the greatest fools—a compliment we appreciate at its right value.

"My personal opinion is that the only mistake—the criminal mistake, I would say—which the British Government made was in saving you from the Kaffirs, who, but for England's interference, would have wiped you off the face of the earth."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—It may be heresy on my part to disturb the equanimity of those who would like to see the Transvaal and the late Free State regain their independence. Nevertheless, I trust that with your characteristic courtesy you will give me a little space in your valuable paper to enter an emphatic protest against the pro-Boer utterances. As one who has lived eight years amongst the Boers I unhesitatingly say that those people who are now advocating the cessation of hostilities and the giving back of the Transvaal and Free State to Boer rule are not masters of their subject. To suit their purpose they shut their eyes to the principle of freedom, justice, and equality, which Great Britain invited the Boer Government to extend not only to British subjects, but to every person irrespective of creed, colour, or nationality, who lived under the now defunct Transvaal flag. The pro-Boers also lose sight of the fact that the party whose cause they are now championing forced the war, and made Great Britain fight; that the Boers invaded Natal, plundered every British subject in the town of Newcastle, that they did the same in Dundee, and that Mr. Kruger and the late Transvaal Government, encouraged by Dr. Leyds, were convinced that they were able to drive the British into the sea, capture Natal, and have Durban for a seaport. Not a very large order, certainly, in the opinion of a pro-Boer, but one which they have found to their sorrow very hard to accomplish. Mr. Kruger, who in my time had a great contempt for a man who spoke the English language, would, if returned to power, never rest until he made another attempt to exterminate the "rooineks." I am, &c.,
Feb. 6. SAMUEL PATRICK GREGAN.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In the face of the published rules and constitution of the Anti-War League, and their proposed petition to the House of Commons, it may be interesting to your readers to know what are the views as to "war," and the one more particularly in which we are engaged, of one of England's best-known divines, presumably highly educated, and well-informed man of peace, not peace at any price, but "peace with honour," judging by his antecedent and well-known loyalty. Canon Knox Little, Canon of Worcester, preaching at a memorial service at Kidderminster in December last, for Worcestershire Yeomen fallen in the war, declared—"That when sentiment masqueraded as principle, and cant as religion, the moral courage of England was greatly weakened. He asserted that without wars nations could not enjoy true peace. England was engaged in conquering corruption and crushing oppression. We must drive out the traitors, whether at home or abroad, whose language prolonged the struggle and made Englishmen's blood boil. This war had been humanely and thoughtfully conducted."

Significant words, especially those referring to traitors, standing out in strong contrast to the namby-pamby stuff embodied in the petition, which, if it ever reaches the House of Commons, will for certain be consigned to the oblivion it deserves, while at the next State election some of our Ms.L.A. who are seemingly the promoters of this unpatriotic Anti-War League will, I hope, find themselves in an analogous position to their petition, which is a libel on us Australians, and should not be allowed to go forth to the world. I am, &c.,
February 8. A. A. DANGAR.

FATALITIES AND CASUALTIES.

A WOODCUTTER INJURED.

CRAWLS TWO MILES THROUGH THE SCRUB.

On Friday evening a man named John Mullins, aged 35 years, was engaged in cutting some timber near his residence, Mangrove Creek, Hawkesbury River, when the axe slipped and the head almost buried itself in his right ankle. Mullins immediately bound a handkerchief round the wound, and began to crawl through the bush to the water. After crawling about two miles he reached the river, and, with considerable difficulty, managed to attract the attention of two ladies who were on the other side. They immediately secured a boat and rowed to his assistance. He was taken down the river for about three miles, where he was handed over to some men, who conveyed him to Peat's Ferry, a distance of 13 miles. There he was placed in the first train for Sydney, and arrived here about 4 a.m. on Saturday. The Civil Ambulance had been previously communicated with, and was waiting at the station. On arrival of the train the injured man was placed in the ambulance and conveyed to Prince Alfred Hospital, where he was admitted by Dr. Blackburn for treatment. Besides the injury to the ankle, Mullins was suffering severely from loss of blood.

THE ACCIDENT ON THE PILOT STEAMER. DEATH OF BRAMLEY.

Edward Bramley, a seaman on the pilot steamer Victoria, who met with an accident on the vessel on Friday, died from the effects of the injuries at Sydney Hospital on Saturday morning. The deceased was 25 years of age, and came out from London in the vessel. The coroner has been informed, and will hold an inquest to-day.

The Premier, on Saturday, informed a "Herald" reporter that it had been decided that the deceased seaman, who came out on board the yacht Victoria from England, should be buried at the cost of the Government. It is also probable that some provision will be made for his widow and his mother, who are in England, and who were partly dependent on his earnings.

FATAL TRAM ACCIDENT.

The Deputy Coroner (Dr. R. H. Todd) conducted an inquest at the Coroner's Court on Saturday respecting the death of a labourer named Patrick Clancy, aged 70 years, who died at the Sydney Hospital on Friday from the effects of injuries received through being knocked down by a tram at the corner of King and Castlereagh streets the same day. A verdict of accidental death was returned. The deceased, who was an old-age pensioner, had recently been an inmate of the Liverpool Asylum.

SUDDEN DEATH AT BURWOOD.

A young man named Percy Graham, who was on a visit to friends at Young-street, Croydon, but who usually resided with his parents at King-street, Newtown, was found dead in bed on Sunday morning at his host's place. Deceased retired in his usual health about 11 p.m. on Saturday night, and next morning there was a strong smell of gas in the room. Dr. Littlejohn, who was called in, pronounced life extinct, death having resulted from suffocation by coal-gas. An inquiry will be held.

DEATH AT SYDNEY HOSPITAL.

Isabella Hodgkinson, aged 19, died at Sydney Hospital on Saturday afternoon. She was admitted to the hospital on January 16, and since that time there has been but little hope that she would recover. It is probable that the Coroner will hold an inquest to-day.

A FALL OVER A CLIFF.

Whilst picnicking with her parents in the Ryde district on Saturday a child named Elizabeth Turner, living in Angel-street, Newtown, wandered through a fence, and after proceeding for a short distance fell over the edge of a cliff, about 30ft. in height. When picked up she was found to be severely injured, and later in the day she was taken to Prince Alfred Hospital. She was admitted to the institution by Dr. Muscio, who announced her to be suffering from a fracture of one thigh and shock.

A SCALDING FATALITY.

Sydney Pregent, a child of 4 years, died at Sydney Hospital shortly before 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon from the effects of being scalded some hours previously. It appears that the child, who lived with his parents in Victoria-street, Alexandria, was playing in the house during the morning when he overturned a vessel of boiling water, which flowed over his body. He was admitted to the hospital in a critical condition, and died without rallying.

FATALITY AT DARLING HARBOUR.

Shortly after 2 o'clock on Saturday a porter named Thomas Sheridan was caught between the buffers of two trucks which were being shunted in the Darling Harbour goods yard. His chest was badly crushed. He was removed by the Civil Ambulance to the Sydney Hospital, where Dr. Newton pronounced life extinct. The body was then taken to the North Morgue. The Coroner has been informed, and will hold an inquest to-day.

RIFLE SHOOTING.

AT THE RANDWICK RANGE.

The afternoon on Saturday was devoted principally to musketry at Randwick. A number of clubs were anxious to hold shootings, but there were no targets available. The undecided match in the sixth round of the N.S.W. Rifle Clubs' Union competition, between the 1st Regiment and Sydney clubs, resulted in a fairly even win for the former by 44 points. The score of the day was W.O. Ingall's 69 out of the possible 70, comprising a "possible" at 500 yards and one short thereof at 600 yards. The wind blew steadily from the north-east, and the light was clear, so conditions were favourable. The 2nd Regiment had a large number of men out for the trained soldiers' course at figure targets, 800 down to 300 yards, and other regiments represented with good detachments for the various stages of musketry were the 8th Regiment, 6th Regiment, National Guard, and Lancers.

Details:—

FIRST REGIMENT DEFEAT SYDNEY.

Teams of 10 men a side, seven shots each at 500 and 600 yards. Scores:—

First Regiment.—W.O. Ingall, 35, 34—69; Sergeant Keevers, 32, 35—67; Lieutenant-Colonel Oldershaw, 33, 34—67; Sergeant J. Thomas, 33, 34—67; Private Searle, 34, 27—61; Quartermaster-sergeant Draper, 32, 28—60; Private Walker, 29, 29—58; Sergeant W. Seymour, 31, 26—57; Sergeant Russell, 30, 23—53; Private Hardie, 27, 24—51.

Totals.—500 yards, 316; 600 yards, 294. Grand total, 610.

Sydney R. C.—Mr. R. Jeffrey, 31, 32—63; Mr. W. Burt, 34, 27—61; Mr. Cousins, 29, 31—60; Mr. H. Lawson, 29, 31—59; Mr. J. Gibson, 29, 30—59; Mr. M. Meaney, 29, 30—59; Mr. T. Fraser, 30, 26—56; Mr. G. S. O'Neill, 30, 25—55; Mr. A. Gilchrist, 26, 25—51; Mr. George Douglass, 30, 13—43.

Totals.—500 yards, 296; 600 yards, 270. Grand total, 566 points.

Majority for 1st Regiment, 44 points.

N.S.W. RIFLE CLUB'S UNION.

The above match completes the sixth round of the championship contest. There are still three rounds to fire. The club then with the largest number of wins will be declared the champions for the year. The Parramatta men continue to maintain their lead, although the St. Leonards A team in the last round managed to tie them, but were "counted out" in the longer range.

The 1st Regiment and Western Suburbs Clubs, with five wins and only one defeat each, have a good chance of yet being in at the finish.

The following table shows the position of the clubs to date:—

Club.	Won.	Lost.	Aggregate Score.
Parramatta	6	0	3631
1st Regiment	5	1	3563
Western Suburbs	5	1	3551
Naval Brigade	3	3	3550
Police	3	3	3527
St. Leonards A	3	3	3409
2nd Regiment	2	4	3461
Sydney	2	4	3435
St. Leonards B	1	5	3249
Alexandria	0	6	3202

WESTERN SUBURBS CLUB.

The second shooting of the quarter was held at 500 and 600 yards. The best scores were as follow:—Mr. G. Daniels, 32, 32—64; Mr. J. P. Arnott, 33, 30—63; Mr. H. Scott, 34, 29—63; Mr. G. Kennedy, 32, 30—62; Mr. A. E. Mattheson, 30, 31—61; Mr. W. Hillman, 27, 33—60; Mr. J. P. Hardy, 29, 29—58; Mr. Coates, 32, 25—57; Mr. W. H. R. Grant, 23, 29—52; Mr. B. Craven, 25, 24—49; Mr. C. Best, 24, 23—47.

1ST REGIMENT CLUB.

The B class shots held their prize shooting at 200 and 300 yards. Best totals: Private G. Kenney, 30, 26—56; Corporal Murray, 27, 27—54; Private Latham, 28, 25—53; Private Greed, 29, 23—52; Private J. Mooney, 24, 27—51; Private G. Hart, 26, 25—51; Lieutenant Newman, 27, 24—51; Private Brennan, 27, 23—50; Private Sheehan, 24, 26—48; Lieutenant Moxham, 27, 21—48; Private Debenham, 27, 21—48; Sergeant Twyford, 28, 20—48.

NAVAL BRIGADE CLUB.

The members competing at the regatta on the previous Saturday held their second shooting of the quarter at 500 and 600 yards. Highest scores were:—A.B. J. Wills, 31, 30—61; A.B. Beddall, 30, 28—58; P.O. Malone, 28, 28—56; A.B. Calcroft, 28, 21—49.

The leading scores at the "G.P." targets were:—Mr. W. Coulter (Randwick and Coogee), 33, 28—61; Constable Scott (Police), 35, 25—60; Mr. G. F. Walton (Randwick and Coogee), 31, 26—57.

The Southern Rifle Association will hold its annual prize meeting at Goulburn, commencing on Saturday, February 22, and continuing over the following Monday and Tuesday.

DUBBO, Saturday.

Shooting at 500 and 600 yards for the quarterly prizes took place at the Dubbo rifle range last Saturday, and resulted as follows:—Mr. J. Hutchins, 32, 29—61; Private G. Paul, 28, 32—60; Private Naudine, 34, 22—56; Sergeant F. H. Matthews, 29, 26—55; Captain M'Hugh, 22, 32—54; Private E. Garnsey, 29, 25—54; Mr. J. Ritter, 24, 24—48; Mr. G. Rich, 25, 19—44; Private Meath, 25, 18—43; Private J. Robinson, 23, 17—40; Private Atkinson, 7, 11—18.

WEST MAITLAND, Sunday.

The fifth quarterly competition of the Maitland Civilian Rifle Club was fired at the Walka Range on Wednesday and Saturday. Following are the scores:—F. W. Dimmock, 700 yards 28, 800 yards 29, handicap 18—total 75*; P. Murdock, 25, 24, 30—79*; C. J. H. King, 31, 28, 10—69; P. B. Cohen, 29, 27, 13—69; H. W. Tegg, 28, 24, 17—69; R. F. Crichton, 28, 21, 20—69; T. W. Silk, 31, 27, 10—68; James Tegg, 21, 17, 30—68; George Winkley, 23, 15, 30—68; J. B. Scobie, 24, 23, 20—67; P. Burg, 32, 24, 10—66; A. Burg, 26, 32, 6—64; H. J. Smith, 27, 24, 10—61; P. Bourke, 28, 24, 8—60; M. Scobie, 19, 25, 15—59; F. Meek, 24, 26, 8—58; R. C. Scobie, 19, 13, 25—57; T. Dimmock, 26, 16, 15—55; J. M'Donald, 15, 10, 26—51; M. S. Ross, 17, 13, 20—50; F. Bewley, 16, 4, 30—50; F. O'Donnell, 25, 12, 12—49; T. Harris, 11, 13, 18—42.
*Handicap limit, 70.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—February 8.

Ventura, R.M.S., 6253 tons, Captain H. M. Hayward, from San Francisco, via ports. Passengers—Mrs. C. Dutton, Rev. Father M'Sweeney, G. Wangenheim wife and child, J. G. Rial and wife, Professor F. Powell and wife, H. P. Sauers and wife, L. Phillips, Frederick W. Foster, C. E. Pilcher and wife, Miss M. Marks, H. Anjou, Dr. J. W. Homer, Miss M. Newman, J. E. Wilson, A. Salerno wife and valet, M. Shaw, Miss Duff, J. H. Barry, Thomas Keenan, William Lane, A. W. Marshall, John Taylor and wife, H. M. Baxter, Thomas Lawless, A. W. C. Williams and wife, E. C. Wilson, M. Ferrari and wife, M. Powell, R. Arms wife and child, G. Chandler and wife, G. K. M'Laren and wife, Pitt Cobbett, A. H. Marshall, Miss E. Tayler, George Darrell, S. F. Palmer, E. J. Rogers, M. Bunth wife and infant, F. St. Ouge and wife, T. St. Ouge, J. Deltorelli and wife, Mlle Ancion, N. Miller and wife, Thomas O'Brien and wife, Rev. Scott West and wife, A. C. Gilliam and wife, Miss M. Taylor, F. J. Doddemeade, W. A. Peairs and wife, Paul Steinfield, B. Flatt and wife, M. Rudd, C. Nilsson wife and 2 children, Mlle E. Monza, Mrs. O. T. M'Culloch, E. P. Simpson, A. C. Stevens, E. B. Woodhouse, Master H. Hill, C. J. Wilken, W. E. Williams, J. F. Callaghan, Miss F. Hynes, H. W. Walker, S. J. Shillington, E. G. Ring, Charles Mack, Miss R. Hynes, C. M. M'Culloch, Mrs. B. Woodcock, Mrs. J. E. Crilley, S. Johnston, S. M. Campbell, Miss L. E. Saint, A. F. Cate, Joseph Mulqueeney, M. de Jong, Miss E. L. Saint, Paul Peragna, M. Segui, C. H. King, G. Kellerman, W. G. Young. Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited, agents.

Oonah, s., 1757 tons, Captain J. Gibb, from Hobart. Passengers—Mesdames Young, Weynton, Fisher, Maguire, Jeanneret, Isaacs, Rutherford, Cox and maid, Lynch, Griffiths, Davey, Platts, Cole, Child, Browne, Anderson, Woods and 2 children, Misses Black, Francis, Suthors, Parkinson, Morey, Ellison, Kidd, Skinner, Stitt, Ryrie, Mack, O'Donnell, Masterson, Fidler, Moore, Alexander, Ladd, Hefferman, Donnellan, Fisher, Jeanneret, Justice Simpson, Hon. J. Kidd, Captain E. Parsons, Lieutenant Hopkinson, Messrs. J. F. Woods, Holmes, S. A. Gribbin, G. Porter, E. Glover, C. Eady, R. Benjamin, A. E. White, H. C. Weynton, Fisher, O'Keefe, M'Lachlan, J. D. Cox, H. S. Nicholas, Lynch, T. Griffiths, Davey, Cole, F. Elliott, R. A. Thompson, C. Hulen, A. G. Chaplin, A. H. C. Hatte, G. J. M'Phie, A. A. Carroll, Platts, C. H. Twibble, W. C. and H. T. Knight, Masters Fisher (2), House, Black, 27 returned troopers, and 24 steerage. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Stettin, s., 2428 tons, Captain Neidermeyer, from Singapore, Macassar, and Bismarck Archipelago. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. Hover, Mr. Dalgarno and family, and the shipwrecked crew of the barquentine Puck. Weber, Lohmann, and Co., Limited, agents.

Newcastle, s., 1251 tons, Captain M. Thompson, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, Limited, agents.

Namoi, s., 1414 tons, Captain W. Warne, from Newcastle. Newcastle and Hunter River S.S. Company, Limited, agents.

Bega, s., 515 tons, from South Coast ports. Illawarra S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Kincumber, s., 100 tons, Captain Anderson, from Camden Haven. G. de Fraine, agent.

Manapouri, s., 1782 tons, Captain Crawshaw, from Newcastle. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Tambo, s., 732 tons, Captain Entwistle, from Newcastle. Huddart, Parker, and Co. Proprietary, Limited, agents.

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Cintra, s., 1979 tons, Captain J. M. Kaeswurm, from Brisbane. Passengers—Mesdames W. Flyn, Boulter, Clark and child, Hicks, Bowrod, J. Strachan and child, Aukes, Lang and 2 children, Misses Forrest, Y. Kenny, R. Medcraf, Hicks, Vera Tilbury, E. E. Walker, Barnett, Buck, Darval, Nurse Grant, Captain Cape, Messrs. J. V. S. Barnett, R. J. S. Barnett, A. H. Tait, W. Ballard, Allan Kerr, J. Gill, F. Back, L. Campbell, J. Sheffield, W. P. Sharp, J. H. Ryan, G. R. Black, P. C. Crocke, W. Person Smith, D. L. Drybrough, J. W. Monarity, H. Schmidt, W. Pittwater, Gallway, F. Petty, E. C. Lee, Clarkson, A. A. Payne, Jacobs, Ball, Schofield, J. Johnson, Vincent, F. Johnstone, W. R. Stirling, J. Mahoney, R. L. Drybrough, J. Wohlgemuth, J. Strachan, F. Perry, Lang, Master A. H. Pain, and 50 in the steerage. Through passengers for Melbourne—Mesdames M'Killop, Nathan, Misses Norton, Crotty, A. J. Flower, D. L. Flower, Messrs. L. R. Dimond, J. Rosenzweig, Lanke, Keogh, Master Casthing, and 14 in the steerage. Burns, Philp, and Co., Limited, agents.

Burwah, s., 982 tons, Captain Gerrit Smith, from Rockhampton via Brisbane. Passengers—Mrs. Crafton, Mrs. E. Kerr, Mrs. Knox and 6 children, Misses Curnow, Corbett, M. G. Illidge, Smyth, B. Blue, Harrison, Palmer, Chappel, Johnson, Messrs. C. Stanton, E. W. Sizer, B. L. Pince, C. B. Sippe, J. P. Parker, Knox, H. A. Griffith, E. Banfield, R. H. Darney, A. Bedford, Chappel, H. Gregory, and 17 steerage. Howard Smith and Co., Limited, agents.

Excelsior, s., 300 tons, Captain J. Pearson, from Tweed River, Woolgoolga, and Coff's Harbour. Passengers—Mr. W. Woot, Mr. J. Paraskus. Geo. W. Nicoll, agent.

Tomki, s., 589 tons, Captain Paulsen, from Richmond River. North Coast S.N. Company, Limited, agents.

Ugea, schooner, 67 tons, Captain Fawcett, from Levuka, Fiji. Captain, agent.

DEPARTURES.—February 8.

China, R.M.S., for London, via ports.
Grosser Kurfurst, G.M.S., for Bremen, via ports.
Waikare, s., for Wellington.
Tyrian, s., for Melbourne.
Leura, s., for Brisbane.
Mildura, s., for Brisbane.
Oonah, s., for Hobart.
Adelaide, s., for Brisbane.
St. Andrew, transport, for Melbourne.
Corryvreckan, barque, for London.
Hirotha, barque, for Auckland, via Newcastle.

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Ramazan s., for Newcastle.
Ville de Belfort, barque, for the Continent.
Saint Louis, s., for Newcastle.
Islanda, s., for Auckland.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—February 10.

Tambo, s., for Hobart; Namoi, s., for Newcastle; Euroka, s., for Bellinger River; Kincumber, s., for Laurieton, Kendall, and Camden Haven; Augusta, s., for Tweed River; Peterborough, s., for Ulladulla, Bateman's Bay, and Nelligen; Bega, s., for Bermagui, Tathra, Merimbula, and Eden.

CLEARANCES.—February 8.

Grosser Kurfurst, Imperial German mail steamer, North German Lloyd line, 13,182 tons, Captain Reimkasten. Passengers:—To Melbourne: Rev. Joseph Hearne, Mr. Barbour, Miss Barbour, and nurse, Mr. John Stewart, Mr. A. Weber, Mr. D. Scott, Mr. T. Borsdorff, Mrs. Stewart, Mr. M. De Lissa, Mr. Charles Mackillop, Mr. John Mackillop. To Adelaide: Mrs. C. Danvers, Miss Danvers, Mr. H. Heinicke, Miss Scott, Mr. J. H. Barbour. To Fremantle: Mr. Scott Young, Mr. E. Sander, Mr. H. Waimcott, Chief Justice Stone, Mrs. Stone, Mr. Friberg, Mrs. G. Henriques infant and nurse, Mr. Albert Hucker, Mr. M. P. Morgane. To Colombo: Miss Hilton. To Naples: Mr. H. O. Ranschenplat, Hon. Miss E. J. Law and maid, Miss Latch, Dr. R. G. Lee, Mr. A. Cocks, Mr. Heard, Mrs. Heard. To Genoa: Mr. W. Reindorff, Mr. W. A. M'Guffie, Mr. George Downe, Mrs. Downe, Lady Graham, Master Graham, Mr. W. A. B. Greaves, Miss Marie Seymour, Miss F. Tyson, Miss Thomas, Mr. Ahlfeld, Mr. W. Schmidt, Mr. F. Binkau, Mrs. Binkau, Mr. Richard Wenzel, Mr. Eugen Lies, Dr. Hutchison, Mrs. Hutchison, Mrs. Charlier, Miss Simone Charlier, Miss Elsie Hall, Mr. L. D. Maxwell, Mrs. Maxwell and infant, Mr. W. E. Holloway. To London: Dr. Roads, Mrs. Roads, Mr. W. Burgess, Mrs. Burgess and infant, Mrs. Coleman, Miss Coleman, Mr. A. C. Godhard, Mrs. Godhard 4 children and nurse, Miss Grigg, Rev. Keene, Rev. M. Maher, Rev. J. Ryan, Rev. H. Lynch, Mrs. M. L. Blair, Mrs. Maddocks Cohen 2 infants and nurse, Rev. J. J. Doke, Mrs. Doke, Mr. W. B. Doke, Miss Olive Doke, Master Clement Doke, Master Comber Doke and nurse, Mrs. Mackenzie, Miss Mackenzie, Miss Elsie Hall, Miss M. Mackenzie, Mrs. M. De Lissa, Mr. and Mrs. Heard, Miss Haidee De Lissa, Miss Atkinson, Mr. Stirton, Mrs. Stirton, Miss Stephen, Mrs. B. Glanvil Corney, Mr. C. Whitall, Mr. Widdowson, Miss Widdowson, Mr. E. O. Atkinson, Mr. Joseph Lammerts, Mr. W. Moran, Mr. Elibank Murray, Mrs. Murray and 2 children, Miss E. Randall. To Bremen: Mrs. M. F. Vollmer, Miss F. Vollmer, Mrs. H. Painter, Mrs. Moses David, Miss David, Master David, Mrs. Allen, Miss Allen. From Melbourne to Bremen: Mr. F. R. Perrot, Mr. J. Minogue. From Melbourne to Genoa: Baroness Von Kusserow, Mr. David Elder, Mrs. Elder, Miss Elder, Miss Hope, Mr. O. Roenig. From Melbourne to London: Mr. L. H. Macdonald, Mrs. L. H. Macdonald and child, Mrs. Browning, Miss Maud Browning, Miss Luise Browning, Mr. Milton Broad, Mrs. Broad, Dr. Pettigrew, Mrs. Pettigrew, Mr. Phileox, Mrs. Phileox, Mrs. Hayman, Mr. Gordon, Mrs. Gordon, Miss Mayhew, Miss Lovegrove, Mr. W. Warren. From Melbourne to Bremen: Mr. and Mrs. Rosenthal, Mr. Englander. From Adelaide to Fremantle: Mrs. S. B. Wheeler. Adelaide to Genoa: Mr. P. Bertrand. Adelaide to Bremen: Mr. J. M. Wendt, Mrs. Wendt, Miss Wendt, Mr. J. Wendt. From Fremantle to Genoa: Mrs. Salmond, Miss Salmond, Miss E. F. Palmer. From Fremantle to London: Mr. Mullens, Mrs. Mullens and family, Miss Richards, Mr. W. Sayers, Mrs. W. Sayers, Mr. Bick, Mr. Bick, jun. From Colombo to Genoa: The Right Hon. Sir S. W. Bosner, P.C., Mr. Kingsbury, Mr. J. A. Pendleton, Mrs. Pendleton. From Colombo to London: Rev. J. Newcomb, Mrs. Newcomb.

Oonah, s., 1760 tons, Captain Gibb, for Hobart. Passengers—Mr. and Mrs. M'Kenzie, Mr. and Mrs. Oldmeadow, Mr. and Mrs. Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Yates, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, Dr. and Mrs. Bennett and 2 children, Dr. and Mrs. Sydney Jamieson, Mesdames Hines, Lockrey, Wilcox, Benjamin, Gibbons, Lakemans, Gray, Croaker, Misses Willis, Orton, Vinard, Edna Wise, M'Kenzie, Walker, Benjamin, Bates, Hutchings, Croaker, Baxter, Messrs. F. W. Jackson, Pratten, Carter, Korff, Halloran, Cochrane, A. J. Smith, S. A. Filey, G. Arnold, J. B. Collier, Hutchings, R. M. Saddington, Perry, Passau, J. Cusach, T. P. Davern, Reuben, H. Tackle, R. Boag, Croaker, Chapman, Nicholson (2), E. Burgess, Rider, R. Nickell, Ralph, T. H. Timbrell, Orton, Dr. Fitzpatrick, Dr. J. J. Kelly, A. Smith, R. Craig, A. B. Armstrong, F. J. Harrison, Baxter, Myles, and 14 steerage.

Tyrian, s., 1182 tons, Captain J. D. Joy, for Melbourne. Passengers—Misses Devine (3), Saxon, Flanagan, Glanfield, Meredith, Gillespie, Murphy, M'Cusky, L. Robins, Cashmore, Gore, Gore, Buzzacott, Mesdames Pardy, Powell, Stupart and child, Stockfield, Benjamin, Lotherington, Buzacott, Gore, Bagg, Ely, F. J. Symons and family, Messrs. Lotherington, Bagg, Ely, J. Wear, T. J. O'Shaughnessy, F. J. Symons, Captain J. Hamore, P. A. Balmer, J. Cripps, J. R. Eathorne, J. Williams, W. Lakeland, J. H. Wills, A. Martin, C. S. Parker, Gore, Master Gore, G. E. Peterson, N. Rose, T. Robson, A. B. Coulter, Master Crawford, W. F. Reid, Barkett, M. Saville, and 30 in the second cabin.

Leura, s., 1182 tons, Captain W. Ellis, for Queensland ports. Passengers—Misses E. Wool, Daraley, Bell, Finucane, England, F. Smith, M. Thompson, Bensen, T. Copas, A. Copas, Mesdames A. J. Yeston, Milne, Kelly, Baldwin, W. Smith, A. Wilson, Bensen, Pettigrew and child, Gardiner, Leask, Messrs. G. Dunsford, Gath, Brown, J. S. Milligan, T. Parton, F. Bell, A. J. Zieman, R. Edgar, W. Langton, Boswell, D. Giles, C. K. M. Smith, T. Kirkpatrick, J. Loeven, A. J. Yorston, Milne, and 25 in the second cabin.

Zealandia, s., 2771 tons, Captain Hipgrave, for Newcastle, with part of original cargo.

Islanda, s., 5237 tons, Captain Anderson, for Auckland, with part original cargo, for New Zealand ports.

Hirotha, barque, 499 tons, Captain G. Davies, for Auckland, via Newcastle. Passenger—Mrs. Davies.

St. Louis, s., 1358 tons, Captain Proux, for Noumea.

China, R.M.S., 7912 tons, Captain Angus, for London, via ports, with passengers as published on Saturday.

Warrior, Italian ship, 1539 tons, Captain Bregnetti, for Genoa.

IMPORTS.—February 8.

Ventura, R.M.S., from San Francisco: 5 casks bottled beer, 20 cases books and patterns, 128 cases boots and shoes, 300 boxes bluestone, 20 barrels bitumen, 2614 gunnies barley, 80 cases paint, 234 cases metal polish, 35 boxes type, 428 boxes codfish, 12 packages cereal food, 17 bags coffee, 132 packages drugs, 10 packages dry goods, 5 packages printed matter, 3 cases printing material, 66 cases scales and parts, 21 parcels, 42 cases chewing gum, 22 cases canned goods, 25 cases hardware, 43 barrels rubber hose, 60 bales hops, 19 bundles papers, 17 barrels starch, 30 kegs wire keys, 8 bales leather, 12 packages merchandise, 35 packages machinery, 50 cases mineral water, 11 cases sewing machines, 40 bales overalls, 8 barrels printing ink, 8 rolls rubber packing, 6 cases spool silk, 42 cases loaded cartridges, 17 packages dental goods, 1004 pine doors, 45 packages electric goods, 922 packages dried fruit, 749 cases canned fruit, 1 propeller, 2640 cases canned salmon, and sundries.

Stettin, s., from Singapore: 24 bags flour, 875 tons and 1088 sacks copra, 111 bales kapok, 93 cases shell, 84 packages nutmegs, 83 packages merchandise and sundries.

Oonah, s., from Hobart: 1081 cases 790 half-cases fruit, 180 cases jam, 16 cases pulp, 75 cases desserts, 10 bales hops, 100 bags [illegible], 40 bags bark, 28 casks tallow, 8 hogsheads ale, 2 cases fish, and sundries.

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[illegible], s., from Tweed River and ports: 108 casks molasses, 28 logs pine, 8 logs hardwood, 40 hides, 22 pigs, 18 girders, 400 sleepers, 3 coops poultry, 4 bags oysters, 1 bag skins, 1 case eggs, 1 cask tallow.

Burwah, s., from Queensland ports: 480 bags sugar, 280 bags bonedust, 398 bags barley, 64 bags hides, 274 cases pineapples, 50 cases preserved fruits, 50 cases preserved meats, 16 bales skins, 10 bales wool, 34 casks tallow, 95 pieces timber.

Ugea, schooner, from Rotumah, via Levuka: 34 tons copra.

EXPORTS.—February 8.

China, R.M.S., for London, via ports: 314 bales wool, 86 bales skins, 185 bales leather, 10 bars doré bullion, 2714 ingots and 245 cakes copper, 24 cases extract meat, 10,890 carcases and 4210 legs mutton, 430 carcases lamb, 75 sacks bran, 958 packages stores, 25 bales chaff, 1666 bags cobalt ore, 157 cases pearlshell, 100 bags ore, 12 bars bullion and sundries.

Grosser Kurfurst, G.M.S., for Bremen, via ports: 12,000 bales wool, 111 packages kapok, 2570 sacks copra, 93 packages shell, 84 packages nutmegs, 42 packages ships' material, 1566 cases meat, 3784 bars bullion, 3670 bags ore, 111 casks casings, 5710 hides, 2911 pieces timber, 150 bags bran, 22 packages gum, 30 cases jam, 14 bales cotton, 73 packages merchandise, and sundries.

Warrior, Italian ship, for Genoa: 2383 tons shale.

THE MAIL STEAMERS.

The R.M.S. Oceana left Suez on the 6th instant outward, and the French steamer Annam left Suez on the 7th instant outward.

THE PORT VICTORIA.

Messrs. Gibbs, Bright, and Co. are in receipt of a cable from Messrs. William Milburn and Co. advising the sailing of the steamer Port Victoria from London on Thursday, the 6th instant, for Sydney, via Adelaide and Melbourne.

BAR HARBOURS.

The following reports were received on Saturday last:—

Bellinger Heads.—10ft. on the bar, 7ft. on crossing at high water, rise of tide 4ft.; channel north and very narrow.

Port Macquarie.—11ft. on the bar at high water this morning's tide.

Manning Heads.—13ft. 6in. on the bar this tide, 9ft. 6in. on crossing, rise of tide 4ft. Heavy sea on bar; dredge Antieon and schooner Rozelle bar bound.

Ballina.—15ft. on the bar, 10ft. on inside channel at high water.

Camden Haven Heads.—7ft. 6in. on the bar, 7ft. 6in. on the crossing at high water this morning.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING NEWS.

BRISBANE.—Arrivals: February 8, Gulf of Genoa, s., from Sydney; Tinana, s., from Bundaberg. February 9, Moira, s., from Rockhampton; Stassfurt, s., from Sydney; Rockton, s., from Melbourne; Julia Percy, s., from Rockhampton. Departures: February 8, Aramac, s., for Cooktown; Kumano Maru, s., for Japan; Yaralla, s., for Rockhampton.

FLATTOP.—Departure: February 9, Barcoo, s., for Townsville.

TOWNSVILLE.—Departure: February 9, Allinga, s., for Brisbane; Duke of Devonshire, s., for London.

CAIRNS.—Departure: February 8, Innamincka, s., for Brisbane.

COOKTOWN.—Passed: February 9, Itawis, bound to Madras.

THURSDAY ISLAND.—February 8, the Bergedorf passed at 1 p.m., bound to Macassar.

YAMBA.—Arrivals: February 9, Senorita, schooner, from Sydney; Wyoming, s., from Richmond River. Departure: February 9, Kallatina, s., Cavanba, both south.

NEWCASTLE.—Arrivals: February 8, Tambo, s., Namoi, s., Rosedale, s., Tamar, s., Alice, s., Helen Nicoll, s., Pretoria, s., Fairport, Crandale, ships, from Sydney. February 9, Aleda, schooner, from Cape Hawke; Newcastle, s., Ramazan, s., St. Louis, s., from Sydney; February 9, Allanton, s., from Brisbane; St. Jerome, s., from Fremantle; Hinotha, barque, Sphene s., from Sydney. Departures: February 8, Manapouri, s., for Suva, via Sydney, with 900 tons coal; Tinto Hill, four-masted barque, for Tal Tal, with 3211 tons Burwood coal; Charlonus, barque, for Valparaiso, with 1360 tons Duckenfield coal; Tambo, s., for Hobart, via Sydney, with 435 tons coal; Joker, ketch, for Lake Macquarie; Dauntless, s., for Port Stephens; Chillagoe, s., for Geelong, with 1880 tons coal; Rosedale, s., for Port Macquarie; Dovedale, s., for Port Pirie, with 2800 tons coal; Timaru, s., Tamar, s., Alice, s., Helen Nicoll, s., Namoi, s., Jones Brothers, schooner, for Sydney. February 9, Prins Valdemar, barque, for Tal Tal, with 1967 tons Waratah coal; Chittor, schooner, for Napier, with 316 tons coal.

MELBOURNE.—Arrivals: February 8, Perth, s., from Fremantle; Mokoia, s., from New Zealand; Gulf of Siam, s., Gabo, s., and Abergeldie, s., from Sydney; Germanicus, s., from New York; Kawatiri, s., from Strahan; Madura, barque, from Newcastle; Tangier, s., from Fremantle. February 9, Easby, s., from Newcastle; Norkoowa, s., from Wollongong; Pateena, s., from Launceston; Flinders, s., and Flora, s., from Devonport. Departures: February 8, Ujina, s., for Bombay; Anglian, s., for Fremantle; Romford, s., for Richmond River; St. Mary, s., for Durban; Coogee, s., and Orion, s., for Launceston; Undaunted, s., Argus, s., and Barwon, s., for Sydney; Emin Pasha, ship, for the English Channel.

PORT ADELAIDE.—Arrivals: February 9, Bremen, from Bremen; Richmond, from Western Australia; Altinous, from Melbourne. Departure: February 8, Wollowra, for Melbourne.

CAPE OTWAY.—Passed: February 8, inward, Gulf of Ancud, s., at 4.40 p.m., from Port Elizabeth bound to Sydney.

(From the Board at the Telegraph Office.)

RICHMOND RIVER HEADS.—Passed: February 9, Rockton at 6 a.m., north. Departure: February 9, Wyoming at 7 a.m.

CLARENCE HEADS.—Arrivals: February 9, Senorita at 6 p.m., from Sydney; Wyoming at 6.30 p.m. Departure: February 9, Kallatina at 8.15 a.m., for Sydney.

WOOLGOOLGA.—Arrival: February 9, Cavanba, s., at 10 a.m., from Byron Bay. Departure: February 9, Cavanba at noon. Passed: February 9, Howard Smith steamer at 3 p.m., Captain Cook with punt, at 3.40 p.m., both north.

BELLINGER HEADS.—Departures: February 9, Violet Doepel, for Sydney; Premier, for Sydney. Passed: February 9, St. George at 5 p.m., north; Violet Doepel at 5 p.m., south.

SMOKY CAPE.—Passed: February 9, Leura at 1.10 p.m., St George at 1.50 p.m., both north; Cavanba at 5 p.m., Kallatina at 6 p.m., both south.

PORT MACQUARIE.—Arrival: February 9, Rosedale at 8 a.m., from Sydney. Departure: February 9, Triumph at 6.30 a.m., for Sydney.

TACKING POINT.—Passed: February 9, Mildura at 12.25 p.m., north; Nambucca at 3 p.m., south; Nymboida at 4.35 p.m., north; Macleay at 4.45 p.m., south.

CAMDEN HAVEN HEADS.—Arrival: February 9, Undaunted at 8.30 a.m. Departures: February 9, Wave at 10 a.m.; Undaunted at 10 a.m.

CROWDY HEAD.—February 9. Antelon barbound. Rozelle at 2 p.m. barbound.

CAPE HAWKE.—Arrival: February 9, Kingsley at 8 a.m., from Sydney.

SEAL ROCKS.—Passed: February 9, Burrawong at 1.10 p.m., north.

PORT STEPHENS.—Passed: February 9, Tomki, s., at 4.30 p.m., south. Galgabba, Annandale, and Sir George, Federal and Australian, schooners, at anchor.

WOLLONGONG.—Arrival: February 9, Forster, ketch, at 11 a.m., from Port Macquarie.

JERVIS BAY.—Passed: February 9, New Guinea at noon, north.

GREEN CAPE.—Passed: February 9, Melbourne at 11 a.m., Glaucus at 1.30 p.m., both north; Oonah at 4 p.m., south.

GABO ISLAND.—Passed: February 9, Grosser Kurfurst at 9 a.m., Tyrian at 12.20 p.m., Nemesis at 3.40 p.m., steamer black funnel, two white bands, at 5 p.m., all west; Oonah at 6 p.m., south; Undaunted at 6.30 p.m., north.

CAPE SCHANCK.—Passed: February 9, inward, Burrumbeet at 4.45 p.m.; steamer with yellow funnel, black top at 5 p.m.

WILSON'S PROMONTORY.—Passed: February 9, inward, Karawara at 12.40 p.m., Time at 2 p.m., Port Elliot at 4 p.m., Surrey at 4 p.m. Wyrallah and a three-masted schooner at 5 p.m., Buteshire at 9.30 a.m., Burrumbeet at 9.35 a.m. Passed: February 9, outward, Barwon at 5 a.m., Despatch at 7 a.m., Gulf of Ancud at 11.25 a.m., Bengal at 11.25 a.m.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING.

WELLINGTON, Saturday.

Departure: From Wellington, Westralia, s., for Sydney.

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METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Observatory, Saturday.

Average rainfall for 43 years, 49·828.
Rainfall from January 1, 2·026.
Humidity.—9 a.m., 49.
Temperature.—Maximum on Saturday, 75; maximum on Sunday, 76·2; minimum on Sunday, 61·4; 9 p.m., 70·1. Maximum at Bourke, 105·5; at Walgett, 101·0.
Barometer.—9 p.m. Sunday, 30·031.

STATE OF BAROMETERS AT 9 A.M.

Portland, 30·19; Melbourne, 30·09; Wilson's Promontory, 30·15; Gabo Island, 30·09; Cape St. George, 30·11; Sydney, 30·14; Newcastle, 30·13; Port Macquarie, 30·15; Clarence Heads, 30·05.

TEMPERATURES.

Friday.—Narrabri 103deg., Mogil, Bingara, Moree 102, Walgett 101, Collarendabri, Mardens, Pilliga 100, Bourke 95, Wagga 91, Tamworth 90, Albury 88, Wilcannia 85, Bathurst 84, Cooma 83, Bombala, Grafton, Broken Hill, 81, Hay, Deniliquin 80, Goulburn 74, Armidale 70, Moss Vale 69, Kiandra 68, Uralla 67, Katoomba 64.

RAINFALLS.

New South Wales (24 hours preceding 9 a.m.).—Boggabilla 10 points, Yetman 7, Inverell 10, Cape Byron 178.

At 9 a.m. it was raining between Tweed Heads and Ballina and at Casino.

COASTAL REPORTS AT 8 P.M. SUNDAY.

Ballina, E., cloudy, sea smooth; Clarence Heads, S.E., light, fine, sea lumpy; Woolgoolga, S., light, fine, sea smooth; Bellinger Heads, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Nambucca Heads, E.N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Macleay Heads, E., light, fine, sea smooth; Port Macquarie, calm, fine, sea smooth; Manning Heads, N.E., light, fine, sea smooth; Seal Rocks, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Port Stephens, N.E. strong, fine, sea rough; Newcastle, N.E., moderate, fine, sea slight; Barranjoey, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; South Head, N.E., moderate, fine, sea slight; Wollongong, N.E., strong, fine, sea smooth; Kiama, N.E., fresh, fine, sea smooth; Jervis Bay, N.E., strong, cloudy, misty, sea moderate; Moruya, N.E., moderate, gloomy, sea moderate; Eden, N.E., light, cloudy, fine, sea slight; Green Cape, N.E., light, cloudy, misty, gloomy, sea rough; Gabo Island, N., moderate, gloomy, misty, sea slight.

FORECAST 9 P.M. SUNDAY.

New South Wales.—On Monday fine weather generally on the coastal parts, moderate to strong N.E. winds; inland fine and warm, with variable light winds.—H. C. Russell. Note.—No sign of coming rain indicated by the telegrams to-day (Sunday).

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR FEBRUARY 10.

Sun rises at 5.26, sets at 6.54; Moon, 7.5 a.m., 7.25 p.m.; Mercury, 6.38 a.m., 7.25 p.m.; Venus, 6.18 a.m., 6.45 p.m.; Mars, 6.15 a.m., 7.28 p.m.; Jupiter, 3.50 a.m., 5.51 p.m.; Saturn, 3.10 a.m., 5.19 p.m.

New moon, February 8; full moon, February 22.

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THIS DAY.

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Victoria.—Overland, *5.30 and 7 p.m.
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Eden.—Bega, 11 a.m.
Hobart.—Tambo, 3 p.m.
Macassar and Java, via Brisbane.—Stassfurt, 3.45 p.m.
Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Pateena, 5.30 p.m.
Natal and Capetown, via Melbourne.—Buteshire, 5.30 p.m.
Noumea, via Newcastle.—St. Louis, 5.30 p.m.

TUESDAY.

Port Macquarie and Nambucca River.—Rosedale, 9 a.m.
Richmond River.—Tomki, 1 p.m.
United Kingdom, Continent of Europe, India, and Mauritius.—Overland to Adelaide, and thence per R.M.S. China, 4.30 p.m.
R.M.S. China (letters addressed to persons on board).—Overland to Adelaide, 4.30 p.m.
Western Australia, via Adelaide.—R.M.S. China, 5.30 p.m.
Dunedin, &c., N.Z., and Hobart, via Melbourne.—Mokoia, 5.30 p.m.
Fiji, Samoa, and Tonga.—Manapouri, 7 p.m.
Clarence River.—Kallatina, 8 p.m.
Byron Bay, Coff's Harbour, and Woolgoolga.—Cavanba, 9 p.m.

WEDNESDAY.

Eden.—Eden, 11 a.m.
Auckland, &c., N.Z.—Zealandia, 3 p.m.
Manning River.—Electra, 4 p.m.
Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Coogee, 5.30 p.m.
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THURSDAY.

Richmond River.—City of Grafton, 1 p.m.
British New Guinea and New Britain.—Moresby, 3 p.m.
United Kingdom, Continent of Europe, India, and Mauritius, via Adelaide.—G.M.S. Grosser Kurfurst, 4.30 p.m.
G.M.S. Grosser Kurfurst (letters addressed to persons on board).—Overland to Adelaide, 4.30 p.m.
Strahan, Zeehan, and West Coast of Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Kawatiri, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY.

Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Pateena, 5.30 p.m.
*Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Perth, 5.30 p.m.

SATURDAY.

Brisbane.—Adelaide, 11 a.m.
Wellington, &c., N.Z.—Westralia, 11 a.m.
Monte Video, Buenos Ayres, Chili, and Rio Janeiro, from Wellington.—Delphic, 11 a.m.
Thursday Island, Port Darwin, Manila, Hongkong, and Japan.—Airlie, noon.
Richmond River.—Macleay, 1 p.m.
Clarence River.—Nymboida, 8 p.m.
Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Flora, 9.30 p.m.
*Western Australia, via Adelaide.—Kalgoorlie, 9.30 p.m.
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The Sydney Morning Herald.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1902.

Commandant Marais has been captured.

Boer officers sent to Europe to consult with Mr. Kruger say that the Boers in the field have implicit confidence in the ex-President.

Mr. Kruger has only to pronounce the word, and if he bids them to submit they will obey.

Field-Cornet Gouws has been captured by the National (Burgher) Scouts in the Middelburg district.

Major Leader's capture of 131 Boers, including Commandant Alberts, of Delarey's force, was the consequence of a night march, the surprised Boers offering scarcely any resistance.

Commandant Delarey has replied curtly to Andries Cronje's announcement of his formation of a burgher corps, coupled with a protest against the prolongation of the war.

The details of the Liebenbergsvlei engagement show that the New Zealanders charged the Boer rearguard, and then galloped to the head of the convoy.

The enemy at the same time came into collision with three sections of Colonel Garratt's force, which had previously been posted ahead.

The Boers were chased eight miles to the westward.

The British casualties were one New Zealander killed and two wounded.

Commandant Meares' attempt to recapture the pom-pom was repulsed by the New Zealanders.

Commandant de Wet, who was three miles off, was hotly pursued.

He quitted the Cape cart in which he was travelling and escaped on horseback.

Lord Milner will be associated with Lord Kitchener in the consideration of any Boer overtures for peace which may be entertained.

Three Boers were killed and 13 captured at Brugspruit.

At Haenertsburg Field-Cornet Vanzye and nine other of the enemy were captured by the Scouts.

An attempt of Commandant Vanniekerk's force to fire the Braakpan Collieries was repulsed, two Boers being killed.

The success of Mr. J. Wood at the East Down election was due to the Nationalist vote.

The inhabitants of the Danish West Indies have been allowed two years in which to declare their allegiance to the United States.

The death is announced of Mr. Thomas Sidney Cooper, R.A.

An insurance agent has been sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment at Edinburgh for forging a will purporting to be that of Mr. George Johnston, the millionaire hermit of Lathrisk.

Great Britain and Japan are strenuously combating the contention of M. Lessar that there is no relation between the Manchuria treaty and the Russo-Chinese Bank agreement.

German health resorts are suffering from the Polish boycott. Galician tourists are going elsewhere.

France has ordered the construction of a first-class armoured cruiser, which will be the largest in her navy, and will cost £1,000,000.

A descendant of the Whabi rulers has captured in a raid El Ras, capital of Nejd, Central Arabia. The Ameer of Nejd withdrew from the vicinity of Koweyt to defend his own kingdom.

Arab dhows in the Persian Gulf are using the French flag to cover the slave trade.

The sinking of the pirate vessel Libertador is denied.

The steamer Kansas, from Boston to Liverpool, has landed 18 of her crew and cattlemen, suffering from smallpox.

The Agents-General have been granted private entree to King Edward's levee.

Admiral Rawson will be the principal guest at a dinner to be given by the Colonial Club on the 28th instant.

The first-class cruiser Amphitrite is ashore in Suez Bay.

The Archduke Franz has arrived at St. Petersburg, and has been heartily welcomed by the Czar.

The imports into the United Kingdom during January increased by £4,143,832, and the exports decreased by £488,957.

The United States is supporting Great Britain and Japan in regard to the open door policy in Manchuria.

The amendment to refer the Procedure Bill to a select committee was defeated in the House of Commons by 90 votes, and the second reading of the bill was agreed to.

The State Government has complained to the Government of Queensland of the want of care bestowed in the inspection of horses intended to be brought here for the use of the Commonwealth contingent.

A small parcel of opal, which was stolen from the Whitecliffs mail bag, has been recovered.

Successful experiments in ostrich-farming are being made at the Hawkesbury Agricultural College.

Polling for the election of aldermen took place in a large number of municipalities on Saturday.

Mr. Reid states that if the federal tariff is to be constructed on any definite principles it will have to be remodelled.

A woodcutter named John Mullins, who was disabled at the Hawkesbury on Friday as the result of an accident, crawled two miles before he secured assistance.

Mr. Reid expresses the opinion that the visit of the senators to the suggested federal capital sites is a "bungling arrangement," as there will not be sufficient time to do justice to the various localities.

Elaborate arrangements have been made by the Australian Natives' Association for the patriotic demonstration which is to be held to-night.

On Saturday morning it was notified that two fresh cases of plague had occurred in the metropolis.

Playing at Burwood on Saturday Marsh secured eight wickets for 34 runs.

Mr. Seddon says orders had been sent from Melbourne to New Zealand for supplies of butter for South Africa, the butter to be packed in cases identical with those used in Victoria.

The losses by fire in New Zealand last year amounted to £385,609.

The New Zealand revenue for 10 months of the financial year shows an increase of over £150,000.

Satisfactory progress is being made with the enrolment of men in the Commonwealth contingents.

On Saturday night the officers of the 2nd Infantry Regiment entertained Major-General Hutton.

The General was also the guest of the Commercial Travellers' Club.

There are further indications that the recent vote of the Political Labour League regarding the war has given great dissatisfaction to the trades-unions.

The Federal Government has under consideration certain definite proposals made by the Eastern Extension Company regarding the agreements between that company and some of the States.

A representative of the Dutch East Indies is coming here to study Australia as a possible source of supply of ponies.

The Consul-General for Italy in Melbourne is seeking an interview with the Federal Premier regarding the admission into Australia of Italians who signed agreements before the Immigration Restriction Act came into force.

The annual synod of the Free Presbyterian Church of Australia was begun at the end of last week.

So far the Federal Treasurer's estimates of revenue have been largely exceeded.

A seam of brown coal struck on the Werribee Park Estate near Laverton (V.) is over 100ft. in thickness, and the quality improves as the depth increases.

At Bronte on Saturday F. C. V. Lane won the 220 yards championship, and lowered the record for Australasia by 1 second.

The English cricketers scored 505 in their first innings at Bathurst, and the local team responded with 177. The match was drawn.

The costs which have to be paid by the Broken Hill Municipal Council in connection with the recent mines' assessment case amount to over £2000.

General Hutton inspected the harbour defences on Saturday, and expressed satisfaction with their condition.

The steamer Albany broke down when 12 miles south of Cape Cleveland, and was towed to Townsville by the Allinga.

Mr. Barton will probably leave Melbourne for England by the R.M.S. Rome on May 6.

The steamer Oonah arrived in Sydney on Saturday morning with a number of invalided soldiers from South Africa.

Very few transactions in investment securities were recorded on the Stock Exchange on Saturday. The market was steady.

Business in the mining market was small in volume, and there were no important changes of prices.

There is continued good inquiry in the import market, although transactions are not generally of an extensive character.

AN IDEAL BEVERAGE.
Cadbury's Cocoa—the most perfect.—Advt.

THE BUSINESS SITUATION.

As usual at the close of the last calendar year the British financial press discussed the prospects of the one on which we have entered. These are of prime importance to Australia. Whether the volume of our own productions is large or small is an important point affecting our prosperity. But the state of the foreign markets is of greater significance. Since we supply the outside world with all the wool we produce, representing the bulk of what it consumes, with some of the grain and meat it requires, we are concerned in knowing how much other nations produce—whether their crops of wool and wheat and meat are large or small, and still more whether their general industrial conditions are satisfactory. Our clip and crops may be good, but if the markets are bad we may be worse off than with poor crops and high prices. The best year in the past decade was 1900, when our wool clip was small and the foreign demand active. Hence to Australia the conditions of Europe and America are of more importance than the size of its wool clip, or the quantity of copper or tin it produces.

Though some increase in the flocks of the State has been apparent for a year or two past, the immediate improvement in our conditions cannot be expected to arise from any considerable addition thereto. Ten years back we had the produce of 61,000,000 sheep, as compared with that of 41,000,000 at present. No doubt other industries—agricultural, dairying, and mining—have since developed. For instance, our cultivated areas have increased three-fold, from 850,000 acres to about 2,500,000 acres. And it must ever be remembered that the value of the produce per acre from agriculture is vastly greater than that from pastoral occupation. Dairying enterprise, besides furnishing supplies for a population increased by 230,000, now gives 8,000,000lb. of butter of the value of £350,000, as compared with an export of 533,000lb., valued at £22,000, in 1891. Similarly the production of some other commodities has increased, giving a wider basis to the State's material prosperity. Though no marked increase in the wool clip can be looked for to swell the wealth of the State, the enlargement of the volume of other products supplements our export list, the whole of which is dependent on external conditions for a favourable market.

That there are still unfavourable features in the world's outlook cannot be gainsaid. Yet it is noticeable that a more hopeful feeling is abroad. Despite the depression on the Continent of Europe, confidence is expressed in the future of the wool market by the extent of the purchases at the recent London sales. The business done was at higher prices than were current at the previous sales, and not only English but Continental and American buyers bought more freely, and left less wool in reserve than was held after the first series of many previous years. At any rate that expresses the views of the trade regarding the future of the market for our staple. It may be said that confidence is based rather on the statistical position of the article than on the state of the markets. While supplies of wool on the European and American markets have been taken off by manufacturers to such an extent as to leave the markets comparatively bare, there is no prospect of such an enlarged supply from the producing countries as to prejudicially affect prices. With the drought still operative in Queensland any general increase in the flocks of Australasia can hardly be anticipated; and South Africa is still too disturbed by the war to furnish the amount of wool sent from that quarter in past years. The only question is whether the markets generally will be so good as to absorb the very moderate supplies without loss of value to the producers. Although a consensus of opinion hardly favours the anticipation of as good a year in the United States as the past one, leading authorities still think that there are months of brisk trade ahead. And the larger purchases by Boston and other American buyers warrant that conclusion. British manufacturers have bought freely, and our correspondents speak in a more hopeful tone of the markets. And when the Continental buyers notwithstanding the depression operate so freely as they have done, there is reason to think that the future will show an improving market position. The recovery in the prices of the industrial metals at the present juncture confirms this view.

While the most hopeful signs in the business outlook are in America, a large volume of trade is being done in the United Kingdom. Though in value last year's British foreign trade fell short of that of the previous year, in bulk it was doubtless considerably more. And when Mr. Lucy declared that the decrease in exports of over eleven millions and a half sterling was largely due to lower prices in coals and metals, he might have gone on to say that it was wholly the result of the decline in prices of these and other articles. As a matter of fact the foreign trade of the United Kingdom was greater last year than in 1900, and the home trade was probably not very far deficient. The number of unemployed though somewhat larger than in 1900 was considerably below the average, while bank clearings and railway traffic returns were on a very large scale.

The termination of the war is expected to do more than anything else to improve the world's business situation. Even though Germany should capture a considerable part of the South African trade, for which she is said to be preparing, that would help to remove a weak spot. Germany even could not obtain this trade without advantage to the United Kingdom, or even Australia. In the controversies as to the relative industrial progress of the various nations, one thing that seems to be commonly overlooked is that none gains without in some way benefiting the others. The essential thing for us is that an important trade is to be done with South Africa on the termination of the war, when the increased output of gold again is thrown into the world's supplies, to fructify industry in its various channels. There are signs that Continental nations are tiring of the war, which is seen to contribute to the commercial depression from which they are suffering severely. It is not from love to Great Britain that they are beginning to hustle Kruger and the Boer representatives. Whatever their racial antipathies, they cannot but recognise the justice of her cause; and as they know she is prepared to stick to her guns, they in various ways are discouraging the Boer leaders, and thus contributing to bring the war to an end, and with it the commercial depression.

THE SENATE AND THE CAPITAL.

Mr. Reid, who has some right to speak about the manner of selection of the federal capital, seeing that the main responsibility for the conditions under which this is to be done attaches to him, is not favourably impressed with the tour of the Senate in search of a site. In his opinion, as we report him this morning, it is impossible to conceive of a more ill-considered and blundering way of dealing with a great and important question. It is only necessary to look at the itinerary laid down for the senators' journey to agree with that. The inspection cannot be other than perfunctory under the conditions specified, and if the representatives are to do their part of the work in the same way it really does not appear worth while that the consideration of the question of the capital should have been delayed on such poor grounds so long. For instance, Wagga is to be reached by 4 p.m. on the 12th, but Albury has to be inspected the same day, and before the party sets out. Wagga is to be inspected the same evening, though fortunately at this season of the year the evenings are long. It is to be hoped that the Wagga people will be satisfied. The senators will travel all night to reach Tumut, and after breakfast they will inspect that site or so much of it as can be dealt with in view of the fact that they will have to drive 28 miles back from Tumut to Gundagai for dinner. Yass and Goulburn are both to be disposed of in the course of the 14th, Orange and Armidale will take a day each, and something like four days will be spent about Cooma and Bombala. On the whole it is perhaps not to be wondered at that the leader of the Opposition finds matter for reproach in this as a programme for inspection by the Senate of approved sites for the Commonwealth's capital.

In view of the approaching public meeting in Sydney on this subject the remarks of Mr. Reid are not uncalled for. Sydney, it must be confessed, has shown itself singularly lax and difficult to move in a matter of so much interest. No public pressure has been brought to bear on the State Legislature, and in consequence the State Legislature and Ministry have neglected their clear duty to bring due and proper influence to bear on the Federal Executive. The question has thus been postponed all round, and its latest phase has resolved itself into a sort of competition in finesse between the State and the federal authorities as to which body is to escape the responsibility. The meeting on the 13th will doubtless have something to say about all this. Whatever it has to say should have been said before, but it is better late than never. It is not too late to galvanise the State authority into active interest in regard to so important a matter as the settlement of the site of the capital, and if the State authority take action it should not be difficult to make the federal authority follow. We have now arrived at a stage when it is desirable that something definite should be done.

THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

The approval of the State Premier to certain police retirements is notified in another column this morning, and as our readers will readily see the incident is of wider public interest than that suggested by the mere names of the officers who have retired. The police department comes into touch with the people in many important ways, and it is of almost vital moment that it should be efficient and up-to-date. Yet as Mr See's minute discloses, and as the public has known for years past, the virtual break-down of the superannuation scheme has compelled the State to retain the services of many officers who are over sixty years of age, and who have been over thirty years in the service. This is sometimes more unjust to the men than to the public, for the services of an experienced and able police officer, matured by years and the exercise of the peculiar duties which often fall to the lot of the policeman of the higher grades, have a value quite their own. This is well understood, more particularly in country towns, where the senior police officer has sometimes to discharge a curious variety of official and semi-official functions. We can quite understand a certain unwillingness on the part of the department to lose the services of these fine old public servants, whose places it would be so difficult to fill. But at the same time the principle of justice to these police officers has to be considered also, and between the question of adequate remuneration for special service and the right to a retiring allowance it seems to have happened that they have somehow been overlooked. The police had no votes in the past, which may perhaps account in some measure for the oversight. We now learn on the authority of the Minister that even now, though an effort has been made to meet retirement claims in the cases of the chief of detectives and others, sufficient provision has not been made for the whole of the officers entitled to superannuation allowances.

Then there is the general question of the organisation of the police department to be considered. A police service should be largely composed of young and active men, always supposing that the system and discipline are good. To secure this there must be a means of retirement provided after reasonable service, and an opportunity for promotion and advancement for the deserving. It is clear that this is wanting when we find officers in this list whose terms of service have covered periods of forty and nearly fifty years. What other public servant is expected to work so long? And how, it must be asked, are we to organise our police department and bring it thoroughly up to date under such circumstances? The State, as we now know it, has actually come into existence for all practical purposes during the time the officers now retiring have been on duty. They have surely earned their right to retire, though of course it may be difficult to replace their special knowledge of many things of the utmost importance in the discharge of police duties. But on the other hand, if the police department is to be entirely bound by the traditions of the past, what assurance has the public that its police are up to date in the discharge of their duties as these shape themselves from year to year in the altering conditions through which these communities are passing? This is a question of some importance. That of pensions to those officers whose length of service entitles them is secondary, though no doubt important enough to themselves. It is satisfactory to learn that provision can be made for valued old public servants; but in the interest of the efficiency of the force and the claims of many long-service policemen the Government would do well to give special attention to the adjustment of police pensions generally.

FIJI AND THE COMMONWEALTH.

Our cablegrams from New Zealand contain the report of an interview with Mr. Humphrey Berkley, of Fiji, who entered with zeal into a discussion of the relation of the colony in which he lives to Australia. He said, for instance, that Fiji could not enter the Commonwealth, because black labour is an institution in the island which cannot be abolished, and because the Federal Parliament has declared for a white Australia. He appears to have forgotten that the question of black colour has not interfered with the political connection of British New Guinea with the Commonwealth. Again, it is urged that New Zealand, after all she had done for the Empire in the way of sending troops to South Africa, has a right to ask the Imperial Government for federation with Fiji, or for the annexation of the group. But the Commonwealth has also done something for the Empire in this matter. We should be sorry to think that any State or colony would go round loudly demanding large concessions in return for support. What we did was done for the sake of the Empire and in vindication of the rights of our fellow-citizens in South Africa; no mercenary spirit dominated the offer of troops or the eagerness of our men to go to the war. The Fijian question has nothing to do with the patriotism of New Zealand or of Australia. Its annexation or federation is for the calm consideration of the Fijians themselves. Commercial relations will enter into the discussion, and the leading minds of the group will be careful to consider some important items—such as the extent of the rival markets offered to Fijian produce and relative position with regard to dominance in the Pacific which will be occupied in the not distant future by the Commonwealth and by New Zealand. There is certainly no need for haste in the decision, and it is not likely that the Colonial Office has forgotten its admonition to New Zealand that the Commonwealth must be consulted in any question relating to the Pacific.

SAFEGUARDS AGAINST TICK.

The Government has acted promptly and wisely in regard to the serious risk of introducing tick into this State caused by the horses forwarded to Sydney for the purpose of the Queensland contingent. Naturally, during the whole period of the infestation of our northern neighbour's cattle and horses by tick, we in New South Wales have felt the warmest sympathy with her. We are glad to do everything possible to meet her wishes, but Queenslanders themselves will not expect that this should include the right to import the pest into our borders. By dint of much diligence and at the expenditure of much money we have hitherto been able, with the co-operation of the Queensland authorities, to prevent the introduction of tick. It is then unfortunate that our Government should find it necessary to complain of want of care in the inspection of horses for the contingent. Despite the clear understanding between the two States that no stock known or suspected to be infested should be brought to the border for admission, several horses which were known to be infested were dipped and sent on, in the hope that the operation would be successful and that the parasites would disappear. The hope was not reasonable and it was not justified. The Government is to be commended for taking the matter up at once, and in representing our grievance courteously but forcibly to the Queensland Government. Very heavy loss would be inflicted on our pastoral and dairying industries if once the pest were allowed entrance into New South Wales. It will probably be found on examination that the matter of which complaint is made was due to the haste and the change of route of the Queensland contingent, and it may be hoped that no further relaxations from stringent quarantine regulations will be permitted.

The New Governor.—The State Premier is in receipt of a telegram from the Colonial Office as follows:—"Vice-Admiral Rawson is engaged upon several Admiralty commissions. He will, however, leave England in the second, or at the latest the third, week in April, travelling via San Francisco."

The Colonial Treasurer.—Mr. Waddell, the State Treasurer, who has been south holiday making, left Tasmania at the end of last week with the intention of staying for a few days at Melbourne and Adelaide before coming back to Sydney.

The Minister for Agriculture.—Mr. Kidd, Minister for Agriculture, who, accompanied by Mr. D. M'Lachlan (the Under-Secretary of the Department), has been on a visit to Tasmania in connection with the conference of Ministers of Agriculture, returned to Sydney by the Oonah on Saturday. The visitors speak very highly of the treatment they received whilst there. The results of the conference have already been published. It may be pointed out in connection with the resolution passed in favour of the States applying to the Federal Government to grant bonuses on the production, manufacture, and export of produce, that Mr. Kidd, as representing New South Wales, voted against the proposal. It was, however, carried by the votes of the other Ministers. The party was away from Sydney for about a fortnight.

Senator J. C. Neild.—Senator J. C. Neild was confined to his room through indisposition during the past week, and was in consequence unable to attend to his duties in Melbourne. He is now convalescent.

The Railway Commissioners.—The Railway Commissioners returned to Sydney yesterday after an absence of nearly a fortnight in the northern districts of the colony. The journey was undertaken for the purpose of inspecting the routes of the proposed railway between Guyra, Coff's Harbour, and Grafton. They also made their annual inspection of the Lismore-Tweed line, and looked into a variety of matters which required attention. The Commissioners visited Brisbane, and on their return journey made an inspection of the northern railway between the Queensland border and Werris Creek, including the Manilla branch.

Arrival of the R.M.S. Ventura.—The Oceanic Company's mail steamer Ventura, which arrived on Saturday last from San Francisco, berthed at the company's wharf, Circular Quay. Amongst a large number of passengers there were Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Pilcher, Miss M. Marks, Rev. Scott West and Mrs. Scott West, Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor and daughters. These passengers were returning from a New Zealand tour. The voyagers also included Mr. J. G. Rial, of the World's Entertainers. Mr. Rial returned with Mrs. Rial and 28 stars of the American and European vaudeville stage. Mr. F. J. Doddemeade, of the firm of W. Laidley and Co., arrived from a trip to San Francisco; and Mr. and Mrs. Peairs returned after a tour of the United States. The Rev. Father T. M'Sweeney, prominent in the Roman Catholic clergy of California, is making a tour of the world and came on to Sydney. Mr. Geo. Darrell, actor and playwright, after a trip to England and America; and Mr. Wm. Lane, of the "New Zealand Herald," Auckland, on a short vacation trip to Sydney, were also passengers by the Ventura.

Trade With the Islands.—The Ugea, a South Sea island trading vessel, arrived yesterday from Rotuma, in command of Captain Fawcett. The captain reported that copra, the staple product in the South Sea groups of coral isles, is at present exceptionally plentiful. The present season, should the islands escape the hurricanes, was, he said, expected to be one of unexampled prosperity.

Outrage at the Islands.—It was mentioned in the "Herald" on Saturday last that another murder had taken place in the Solomon Group. The news came by the schooner Aola, and upon that vessel coming up the harbour on Saturday it was stated by Captain Pope, the master of the vessel, that the victim was acting as an assistant to the Government Agent on board the Rhoderick Dhu. Their boat was fired upon and the man was mortally wounded. The body was removed to the station occupied by the Resident Commissioner, who had the remains interred. Captain Pope was unable to give the name of the recruiter.

Chinese New Year's Day.—On Saturday the Chinese of Sydney celebrated their recognised New Year's Day. Generally speaking the day was closely regarded as a holiday in business circles, and the population followed the traditional customs of China in marking the birth of the New Year. Immediately after midnight fireworks were discharged, and large numbers of Chinese were assembled together in mutual festivity. In the forenoon considerable visiting took place, it being the custom for each citizen to call upon his friends to exchange greetings. By some the festivity is confined to one day only, but by others holiday-making is kept going for any length of time up to a week.

Breaches of the Building Act.—In Thursday's "Herald" it was stated that the Mayor (Alderman Thomas Hughes) had received a report of an alleged infringement of the Building Act on the part of the New South Wales Railway Commissioners. The Mayor points out in regard to this matter that it was the Tramway Construction Branch of the Public Works Department, and not the Railway Commissioners, that had committed the alleged infringement.

The Ramsay's Bush Reward.—Regarding the rewards offered by the Government in connection with the Ramsay's Bush and Queanbeyan outrages, we learn that a large number of claims were submitted to the Government. The Premier has approved of the amount being divided amongst about eleven persons, and it is also intended to give some money by way of compensation to the unfortunate children.

Capture of a Shark.—For some time past sharks have been frequently seen in Long Bay, Middle Harbour, nearly opposite Folly Point, a locality frequented by bathers. Of late several dogs have been victims of the monsters. On Tuesday last a gentleman was being rowed across the harbour to Folly Point by his son, when the stretcher fell overboard. The lad [illegible]

gear to recover it when a large shark suddenly appeared and made a dash for the outstretched arm, but failing in its object it seized the stretcher and made off. Messrs. Berecry, Francis, and Mannell persistently fished for the monster for three days, and on Friday succeeded in capturing it. It measured about 14 feet. Their prize was taken to the Spit, where on Saturday and Sunday it attracted considerable attention.

The first of a series of lectures on educational topics entitled "What are we Teaching our Children?" was delivered on Friday evening by Mrs. F. C. Wright at Christ Church Schoolroom, Lavender Bay. The chair was occupied by the rector (Rev. J. H. M'Lean, M.A.), and there was a good attendance. At the conclusion of her lecture a vote of thanks was accorded Mrs. Wright.

There was a large attendance at the monthly meeting of the Fresh Air League, held at the Town Hall on Friday, to welcome the Mayoress of Sydney (Mrs. Thomas Hughes), who presided as a vice-president of the league. The season is now at its height, as more people appeal in January and February than at any other time. It was reported that 53 men, women, and children were sent into the country last month.

At a representative gathering of drivers and firemen on the tramways on Friday Mr. George Downe, locomotive superintendent, was presented with an address and a souvenir on the eve of his departure for Europe.

We have received a copy of the first number of the "Bulletin Trimestriel de la Chambre de Commerce Francaise de Sydney." The growing interest taken by French merchants in the industries of Australia—an interest largely increased by the establishment of federation, and the consequent enlargement of the Australian market—has prompted the French Chamber of Commerce here to undertake this publication, which contains much interesting information.

Messrs. H. W. Horning and Co. announce that the Government sale of land situated at the corner of Kent and Windmill streets has been postponed till the 18th instant.

The full list of prizes in the recent band contest art union has been advertised. The drawing is to take place in the Town Hall on the 26th instant.

We have received John Sands' time-table for English mails for 1902.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rowe, well-known residents of Paddington, left for London by the R.M.S. China on Saturday. Their departure was witnessed by a large gathering of prominent residents of Paddington, in addition to Mr. Rowe's employees. Mr. and Mrs. Rowe will be absent for about 12 months, and will return via Canada.

Sunday morning breakfast was given yesterday at the City Night Refuge and Soup Kitchen, Kent-street, to 85 men, 8 women, and 6 children. During the past week 1652 meals were supplied to men, 46 to women, and 15 to children. Shelter was afforded to 799 men, to 42 women, and to 33 children. Outdoor relief was supplied to 5 families, comprising 22 persons.

THE LATE MR. F. S. E. HOLT, J.P.

The death was announced on Friday at Katoomba of Mr. F. S. E. Holt, J.P., of Winterdyne, Wyalong-street, Burwood. As reported on Saturday the cause of death was accidental. Mr. Holt was crossing the railway line on the mountains between Katoomba and Wentworth Falls when he was struck by the engine of a train. The unfortunate gentleman was very deaf, and did not see the approaching train, and the force of impact was so great that severe external and internal injuries were inflicted. From these Mr. Holt died after lingering for a few hours. The inquest, conducted by Dr. Lethbridge, the coroner at Penrith, showed the cause of death to be accidental. The remains were brought to Sydney, and are to be interred in the Woniora Cemetery, near Sutherland, to-day. The funeral leaves the Illawarra platform, Sydney station, at 2.10 p.m.

The deceased gentleman was a son of the late Hon. Thomas Holt, M.L.C., one of the pioneers of the State, whose name has been identified with its progress for many years. He was born at Liverpool in this country in 1846, and would have been 56 years of age in June next. During his childhood he suffered from scarlet fever, and this left him almost completely deaf. He was educated first at Chapman's School, but was afterwards placed under the care of the Rev. Thomas Arnold, a Congregational minister, at Snails Bay, Balmain. Mr. Arnold had made a close study of the disease of deafness, and had achieved some successful results while educating lads. He developed young Holt's faculty of speech, and acted as his tutor during a long tour in Europe and Asia, during which time a visit was paid to Palestine. After his travelling experiences Mr. Holt settled with his tutor at Northampton (England) for some considerable time, and his education was pushed on more rapidly. He returned to New South Wales when aged about 19 or 20, and went to North Queensland to acquire pastoral and other colonial experience. He also became his father's private secretary, and speedily showed a capacity and business acumen which made him of the utmost service. He spent a large amount of time on the family estate of Sutherland, with which the name of Holt in the historical records of the State has been so long associated. As the young man's experience ripened his interests broadened, and he paid much attention to the development of the Illawarra suburbs. In public matters he used his influence for the benefit of those who were pushing settlement southwards towards the National Park and the borders of Port Hacking and Sylvania. His identity with the progress of the district was not of the conspicuously assertive character, for he did not appear to advantage as a debater on account of his deafness, but he showed a quiet and benevolent persistence which was very effective. He married Miss Lucy Florence Harris, the daughter of a well-known city merchant, some years ago, and lived for some time at Sutherland House, George's River, and at the Warren. He had three sons—Thomas, Frederick, and Owen—and two daughters, one of whom was with him when the accident which terminated his life occurred. Fortunately the young lady was not an actual witness of the sad event. Mr. Holt had two brothers—A. W. Holt and Walter Holt—who survive him. He settled in Burwood about ten years ago and led a quiet life, taking special cognisance of educational matters and the extension of the district south of Botany, and managing his own private business. As was natural, he took a great interest in the Deaf and Dumb Institute, of which he was a director. His unostentatious benevolence in connection with that institution is known only to those who have special cause to remember it. He was a member of the Congregational Church, and attended the Croydon Church, with the pastor of which (the Rev. Walter Mathison, B.A.) he was on terms of close friendship. Mr. Holt had a wide circle of old and tried friends, to whom the news of his death came as a great shock. The deceased enjoyed good health, and had only gone to Wentworth Falls a week before his death for a change in the mountain air.

SUTHERLAND, Saturday.

The news of the fatal accident to Mr. F. S. E. Holt at Katoomba on Friday last, came as a shock to everybody throughout the district. As a mark of respect to the deceased gentleman to-day flags were flown at half-mast.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE W. T. POOLE.

The funeral of the late Mr. W. T. Poole, of Redfern, whose death was announced in Saturday's issue of the "Herald," took place on Saturday afternoon, and was largely attended. The cortege, a lengthy one, moved from Hampden, Pitt-street, Redfern, the late residence of the deceased, and at 1.45 p.m. proceeded to the Mortuary station at Redfern. There the funeral train was joined, en route to Rookwood, where the interment took place in the Presbyterian Cemetery. The aldermen and officers of the Borough of Redfern, of which until lately Mr. Poole had been a prominent member, walked in procession in front of the hearse. Among those present at the funeral were:—Mr. Benjamin Poole (brother of the deceased), Mr. A. B. Pringle (son-in-law), Messrs. Clarence, Septimus, George, James, and Sydney Poole, and Messrs. E. Taylor, James Taylor, and R. H. Taylor (nephews), Messrs. W. P. and E. R. Minell, Mr. Freeman, Mr. Palmer, Mr. J. P. Pringle (president Federated Builders' Association), Mr. A. D. Nelson, M.L.A., Alderman Jackson (Mayor of Redfern), Aldermen T. Clarke, Parkes, Metcalf, Stanley, Vernon, Macnamara, Gorton, Sullivan, M.L.A., Dearin, Mr. Robert Grierson (council clerk), the Hon. Alfred Meeks, M.L.C. (chairman Sydney Hydraulic Power Company), Mr. Dickinson (secretary of the Sydney Hydraulic Power Company), Mr. James Angus (director Sydney Hydraulic Power Company), Mr. James Parr, Mr. George Stedman, Mr. C. Fisher, Mr. John Leitch, Mr. A. Bellingham, Alderman Lamond (Waterloo), Mr. E. C. Amsinck, Mr. John M'Lachlan, Mr. John Malony, Mr. F. H. Bright, Mr. Allpress, Mr. R. Jennings, Mr. B. Widerstrom, Mr. Duncan M'Crae, Mr. Alfred Mitchell, Mr. Friend, Mr. W. L. Jennings, Mr. Thomas Hayes, Mr. W. Perkins, Mr. J. A. C. Baker, Mr. George Buckley, Mr. Heron, Mr. Johnson, Mr. William Wood (financial secretary Presbyterian Church), and many others.

The service at the house and at the grave was conducted by the Revs. John Ferguson, T. J. Curtis, and Andrew Barron. Included among the wreaths was one from the late Mr. Poole's co-directors of the Sydney Hydraulic Power Company, and another from the chief officials of that body. The coffin, in which the remains were encased, was of polished oak, worked into moulded panels, and silver-mounted. The funeral arrangements were carried out by Mr. Joseph Medcalf, of Redfern.

TO-DAY.

A.N.A. Patriotic Demonstration, Town Hall, 8 p.m.
Sydney Institute of Public Accountants Students' Society: Meeting, 16 O'Connell-street, 8 p.m.
Plasterers' Society: Meeting, Trades Hall, 8 p.m.
Forest Lodge Races: First Event, 2.45 p.m.
Gipps Ward: Mass Meeting of Workers, Federation Hall, Church-hill, 8 p.m.
Cyclorama: Cinematograph, Illusions, "Last Days of Jerusalem," 10 a.m. till 10 p.m.
Criterion Theatre: "Kinso Reward," 8 p.m.
Empire Theatre: "Happy Japan," 8 p.m.
Lyceum Theatre: "On Active Service," 8 p.m.
Her Majesty's Theatre: "Ben Hur," 7.45 p.m.
Palace Theatre: "Why Smith Left Home," 8 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre: Vaudeville Company, 8 p.m.

COMMONWEALTH NOTES.

COMMONWEALTH REVENUE RETURNS.

EXPLANATION BY THE TREASURER.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

MELBOURNE, Sunday.

Sir George Turner had something to say yesterday in respect to the published Commonwealth revenue returns. According to the figures compiled by the Customs Department the tariff yielded £773,052 for the month of January, and £3,561,073 since the imposition of uniform duties. There was in January an increase of more than £100,000 over the returns for the preceding month. This is partially explained by the fact that as the details of the tariff are being settled in the House of Representatives more freedom is shown by importers in taking goods out of bond. "It is true the January receipts show an increase of about £101,000 over those of December last," said Sir George Turner, "but no one with a knowledge of revenue returns would dream of taking a single month's increase as an indication of the year's receipts. I intend to have a statement prepared making adjustments between the different States and deducting eight days of October, during which the Commonwealth tariff was not in existence. This statement will also make the necessary deductions from the Western Australian Commonwealth revenue on account of the State Customs revenue. At present the figures for Western Australia are misleading, as the State revenue has been returned with the Commonwealth revenue. I reckon the average deduction of the State revenue from the Western Australian figures will work out at about £40,000 per month. The revenue from New South Wales is a long way above my estimate. Taking a rough and ready method again I calculated that we would get about £202,000 per month from that State. So far the actual receipts have regularly exceeded that amount. I think this must be due to the fact that we were misled as to the loading up in New South Wales. The statements with regard to anticipatory clearances in that State must have been very much exaggerated. In Victoria the December returns were under and the January returns were over my estimate. The Queensland returns have regularly fallen below my estimate. They must be having a worse time in Queensland than we anticipated. South Australia is over my estimate for January, although under it for November and December. Tasmania has been under my estimate for the last two months. There is not a great difference, however, and I am inclined to think that when the adjustments are made between Tasmania and Victoria, and also between the other States, my estimates will not be far out in all the States with the exception of New South Wales and Queensland."

Notwithstanding Sir George Turner's explanation, the fact remains that while he anticipated £5,862,247 from Customs and excise from October, 1901, to June, 1902, he has already in four months received £3,561,073—that is to say, in four months of the total period he has received a little over six months of estimated revenue. There will have to be a very heavy fall during the next nine months to get down to the estimate.

DISTRIBUTION OF REVENUE.

The Commonwealth Government is not at present using one-fourth of the Customs and excise revenue for its own purposes. At the same time it is not accumulating balance at the bank, because the unexpended balance of the one-fourth is being returned to the States with their rightful three-fourths according to the Treasurer. At the end of each month the expenditure is deducted and apportioned among the States, and then each State is advised by telegram to draw a cheque on its credit balance. Wherever possible the Treasurer has given a liberal interpretation to the Constitution, and he is returning the revenue to the States at the end of each week.

THE CAPE CABLE.

The Premier has received from Mr. W. Warren, manager of the Eastern Telegraph Extension Company, through the Postmaster-General, a letter with regard to the Cape cable question. Mr. Barton is disinclined to at present make public the contents of the letter, but it is understood that the company has now made certain definite proposals to the Government on the subject of the interminable agreements now in force between the company and several States. The Government has these proposals under careful consideration, and it is believed that they are of a character that will facilitate an early settlement.

HORSES FOR THE NETHERLANDS INDIAN GOVERNMENT.

Mr. Barton has received a letter from the Netherlands Indian Government controlling the Dutch East Indies, stating that Colonel Posnous will visit the Commonwealth for the purpose of studying Australia as a possible source of supply of ponies for his Government. Mr. Barton has sent a copy of the letter to the State Premiers, with a request that they will give Colonel Posnois all assistance in their power.

ITALY AND THE COMMONWEALTH.

On Saturday Herr Boschart, who has been acting as Consul-General for Italy in Melbourne, called upon Mr. Barton and Sir William Lyne for the purpose of introducing to them Signor Bertolo, the newly appointed permanent Consul-General for Italy. Mr. Barton was not in town, and Signor Bertolo asked Sir William Lyne to make an appointment with the Premier on Monday, as he wished to discuss with the Government certain matters relating to the Immigration Restriction Act. The point which Signor Bertolo specially desires to raise is the admission of those Italians under contract who signed their agreements before the Act came into force.

PUBLIC SERVICE BILL.

Although the Public Service Bill has now passed through all its stages in the Senate, some little time must elapse before it can come into operation. The Houses will have to come to agreement respecting the amendments made by the Senate. Several of them affect matters of principle, and two, at least, are important modifications of clauses upon which majorities in the House of Representatives hold very strong opinions. The negotiations between the Houses are therefore likely to be protracted. Sir William Lyne, to whose hands the measure was returned when it was sent back to the House of Representatives by the Senate on Friday, cannot say when those amendments will be considered. It is not deemed advisable to break into the tariff discussion until a good deal more progress has been made, so that the Public Service Bill may not be advanced another stage for a month or so. Sir William Lyne thinks the delay will not be altogether a disadvantage, as it will enable him to look very closely into the measure, and also make arrangements which would take time, in any case, to put it into operation. The Government has not yet fixed upon anyone for the position of Public Service Commissioner. The Home Secretary says that he wants to get the very best possible man for the post.

THE CORONATION.

Mr. Barton will probably leave Melbourne for his visit to England during the Coronation by the R.M.S. Rome on May 6.

THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

RETIREMENT OF OFFICERS.

The State Premier on Saturday approved of the following minute:—"The Chief Secretary has had under consideration and has been in communication with the Inspector-General of Police regarding those senior officers in the police force who have been for upwards of 30 years in the service and are over 60 years of age, and therefore, in accordance with the provisions of the Police Regulation Act, are entitled to superannuation on pension. Although sufficient provision has not been made for the payment of pensions to the whole of the officers coming within this category Mr. See has approved of certain of them being allowed leave of absence, with a view to retirement at the end of the term of leave. Amongst these will be Superintendent Sanderson, of Bathurst, who is the senior Superintendent of Police; Superintendent Camphin, of the detective department; Inspector Fenton and Sub-inspector Langworthy. The cases of those officers who are in good health and are anxious to remain at their posts will be remitted for further consideration at a future date, when the fund is placed upon a more satisfactory basis."

Superintendent W. Camphin has performed over 44 years' service, having joined the police force on May 13, 1858, as an ordinary constable. He was appointed to the position of superintendent of detectives on April 1, 1893. Although not officially announced it is understood that Inspector A. Potter, of No. 1 Police Station, will be promoted to the position.

Superintendent Charles Sanderson has since the death of the late Superintendant Read held the distinction of being the oldest police officer in the State. He joined the force on January 13, 1855, and has been stationed in the Bathurst district for some years. Mr. Sanderson had several years' experience in the London police, and arrived in the State among the first batch of police that were sent out from England.

Inspector Roger Fenton, who has been stationed at Goulburn for some years, joined the force on October 22, 1856, and became inspector on January 1, 1897.

Sub-inspector Langworthy joined the force on August 1, 1863, and reached his present position on August 3, 1899. He has been stationed at Yass for some time.

SECOND EDITION.

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

MR. KRUGER CALM AND CONFIDENT.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

Mr. Kruger is calm and hopeful. He is confident that the Boer leaders and the generals in the field will not solicit Great Britain for peace. He continually exclaims, "God is with us, and will give us a final peace."

DR. LEYD'S ADVICES.

BOER POSITION REASSURING.

WAR LAST A DECADE IF NECESSARY.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

Dr. Leyds, in the course of an interview, said that the recent advices which he had received from South Africa were quite reassuring. The war would last a decade if necessary. The delegates in Holland were taking steps to inform the commanders in the field of the exact significance of the Notes of Dr. Kuyper and Lord Lansdowne.

AUSTRALIAN CASUALTIES.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

Private J. Dure, of the Victorian Mounted Rifles, has been accidentally severely wounded in the thigh.

Corporal T. Flint and Private Ben Rudhael, of the Fifth Queensland Contingent, are believed to have been captured at Amersfoort.

H.M.S. CONDOR.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

It is feared that H.M. sloop Condor, reported missing on the voyage from Esquimault to Honolulu, has been lost in a collision.

CHRISTIAN SCIENTISTS.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

The German Emperor has ordered the police of Prussia to suppress meetings of Christian Scientists.

VICTORIA.

GREAT SEAM OF BROWN COAL.

MELBOURNE, Sunday.

A deposit of brown coal on the Werribee Park Estate, near Laverton, is proving of great thickness. The bore is now down a depth of 460ft. and has not yet passed through the seam of brown coal which was struck at a depth of 355ft. The seam so far is over 100ft. in thickness, and the quality improves as the depth increases.

GOLD FOSSICKERS ON PUBLIC WORKS.

At a meeting of the Bendigo City Council on Friday it was stated that some of the roads were being denuded of their blinding by gold fossickers. The blinding was obtained from the White Hills and as it contains gold the fossickers swept the roads and washed the dirt almost as quickly as it was put down.

EARNINGS OF PILOTS.

At a meeting of the Marine Board on Friday a statement was submitted showing that the pilotage receipts for the year ended December 31 were £40,507, which was disbursed as follows:—Sea pilots, £34,165; harbour pilots, £3724; sick and superannuation fund, £1007; and administrative expenses, £1410. After some discussion as to the amount earned by the pilots, and the manner in which it was collected for them by the Government, it was resolved that the pilots be asked for a report as to the cost and the efficiency of their steam service.

THE BISHOPRIC OF MELBOURNE.

Mr. W. E. Morris, registrar of the diocese of Melbourne, has been granted leave of absence to visit England, and he will probably accompany Dr. Goe to London by the R.M.S. Britannia, leaving Melbourne on April 8. Mr. Morris has been appointed in conjunction with Mr. Grimwade, M.L.C., by the bishopric election board to obtain information concerning the qualification of clergymen in England with the view to an appointment by the board of a successor to Bishop Goe.

THE SMALLPOX OUTBREAK.

Mr. C. W. Elliott, the third officer of the steamer Eastern, who was placed in quarantine on January 10 in consequence of having developed smallpox during the voyage from Japan to Australia, was released from the Quarantine Station on Friday.

THE DEATH OF EDWIN LATHAM.

In the City Court on Friday Mr. Daly made an application for bail on behalf of Harold Elliott, who was arrested on February 4 in connection with the death by violence of Edwin Latham, of Victoria-street, Richmond. It will be remembered that, on February 5, Elliott was charged with the wilful murder of his employer, and was remanded for a week by the City Bench pending further inquiries. Circumstances have came to light which have discounted the theory of murder, and tend to show that the case is one of suicide. Mr. Daly pointed out this fact when applying for bail, and was informed by Mr. Panton that bail would be allowed in one surety of £50.

LENTEN PASTORALS.

The Lenten pastoral letters, which are annually circulated by the prelates of the Roman Catholic Church to the clergy and laity throughout the different dioceses, were read in all the churches to-day. Archbishop Carr's letter deals exclusively with the subject of divorce. His main argument is that marriage is a divine institution, and should be preserved inviolable. Dr. Carr then proceeds to argue that, even apart from the religious aspect, the welfare of the nation requires that there be no weakening of the marriage tie.

Trumble and Hill leave for Sydney by Monday's express. They will probably be accompanied by Saunders, the left-hand bowler of the Carlton Club.

Barnes will be unable to play in the test match in Sydney. He had a try at the nets on the Melbourne Ground on Thursday last, but found that his injured knee was quite unable to stand the strain.

A fatal shooting accident happened on Saturday at Lake Rowan. Jacob Symes, aged 24, son of a farmer at Lake Rowan, was getting through a fence, and a gun he was carrying went off. The charge passed through the region of his heart.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

THE BRASSEY CUP.

ADELAIDE, Sunday.

The annual race for the Brassey Cup, presented to the Australian Squadron, took place on Friday over an 18-mile course at Boston Bay, Port Lincoln. Most of the boats belonging to the four ships at present there competed. A cutter and barge belonging to the flagship led for two-thirds of the way. Then the wind dropped, and the pinnace from the Royal Arthur drew ahead, and won by 6 minutes from the flagship barge, with the cutter from the Wallaroo third.

A FRIENDLY SOCIETY'S DISPUTE.

At the Supreme Court on Friday the Chief Justice delivered his reserved judgment in the case of the Independent Order of Oddfellows versus the Bon Accord Lodge, I.O.O.F. This case was tried in September last. It arose out of a dispute between the Grand Lodge and the Bon Accord Lodge as to the disposition of interest earned by investments of branch funds. The dispute extended over a long period, and culminated in the expulsion of the branch in August, 1900. Prior to this the branch had passed a resolution severing its connection with the order and forming an independent lodge. It also formed a committee to distribute among the members a contingent fund of £365. The Grand Lodge claimed repayment of this amount and the surrender of the charter books and regalia. The Chief Justice ruled that the resolution of the branch did not sever the connection of the lodge with the order or affect its property in any manner. He found that the lodge was expelled, and that its property was forfeited to the Grand Lodge, and made an order in terms of the claim, also for the repayment of the contingent fund. Defendants were allowed a month in which to appeal to the Full Court.

TASMANIA.

HOBART, Sunday.

The Hobart Drainage Board in dealing with applications for the engineership has reduced the number to three, namely, Messrs. R. A. Leonard (Melbourne), G. H. Gibbons (Brisbane), and P. H. Wilkinson (Sydney.)

Military sports were given on Saturday at Risdon as a farewell to the departing contingent, and were well attended.

LAUNCESTON, Sunday.

A child named Kenric Gearman Poulteney, 2 years, residing in Brisbane-street, was accidentally drowned in a tub of water on Friday.

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE "HERALD'S" LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE SUPPLY OF MEAT FOR THE ARMY.

THE CONTRACT OF BERGL, LIMITED.

THE FIRM'S FINANCIAL SUPPORTERS.

COMPANY FORMED AT PRETORIA.

LONDON, Feb. 8.

In the House of Commons last night Captain D. V. Pirie, Liberal, asked whether Bergl, Limited, had transferred its contract for supplying meat to the Army in South Africa to the Wernher, Beit people for £100,000.

Lord Stanley, the Financial Secretary to the War Office, replied that the War Office was aware that a syndicate was backing Bergl, Limited, and that it was intended to float the syndicate into a company.

The War Office, Lord Stanley continued, had found the syndicate equal to fulfilling the contract, but was not aware of the the nature of the agreement between Bergl, Limited, and the syndicate. A sum of £200,000 had been deposited as a guarantee.

He admitted that Bergl, Limited, had been fined at Liverpool, but it was for an offence outside the army contract. The War Office was inquiring into the circumstances of the fine.

Later on Lord Stanley communicated a statement to the press. He said that the backers, who were reliable firms, guaranteed that if Bergl, Limited, got the contract for the supply of meat for the army, a company would be formed to take the contract over. A company had now been formed, and had been registered at Pretoria with a capital of £650,000, whereof £200,000 had been subscribed. The tender had been given to Bergl, Limited, as representing the company now formed.

BRITISH TRADE.

LONDON, Feb. 8.

The Board of Trade returns for January have been published. They show that the value of the imports has increased by £4,143,832, and the value of the exports has decreased by £498,957, as compared with the imports and exports for the corresponding month of the previous year.

The fall in the value of exports is attributed to a fall in the price of coal.

Double the usual quantity of sugar was imported last month in anticipation of a duty being announced by the Chancellor of the Exchequer in his forthcoming budget.

CHINA.

THE MANCHURIA AGREEMENT.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

Great Britain and Japan are strenuously combating the contention of M. Lessar, the Russian Minister at Peking, that there is no relation between the Manchuria Treaty and the Russo-Chinese Bank agreement.

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The Government of the United States is firmly supporting Great Britain and Japan in favour of the open door in Manchuria.

On January 28 the following cablegram was published:—Dr. Morrison, the Peking correspondent of the "Times," states that the clause in the Manchurian treaty with Russia giving Russia exclusive railway and mining privilege in Manchuria has been eliminated, and in that form the treaty will be shortly signed by China. China will simultaneously sign a separate secret agreement with Russia granting the Russo-Chinese Bank preferential railway, mining, industrial, and commercial privileges in Manchuria. China thus saves her "face" by the fiction that the bank is partly a Chinese institution.

GERMANY.

A POLISH BOYCOTT.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

German health resorts are suffering from the Polish boycott. Galician tourists are going elsewhere.

THE FRENCH NAVY.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

France has ordered the construction of a first-class armoured cruiser, which will be the largest in her navy, and which will cost £1,000,000.

At present the armoured cruisers Leon Gambetta and Jules Ferry, each of 12,416 metric tons, are the largest cruisers in the French navy. Their cost was £1,169,910 each.

THE PERSIAN GULF.

CAPTURE OF THE NEJD CAPITAL.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

A descendant of the Wahabi rulers has captured in a raid El Ras, the capital of Nejd, Central Arabia. The Ameer of Nejd withdrew from the vicinity of Koweyt to defend his own kingdom.

Arab dhows in the Persian Gulf are using the French flag to cover the slave trade.

The Ameer of Nejd left his capital at the instigation of the Sultan of Turkey for the purpose of overawing the Koweyt Sheik Mabaroukh. The presence of the Wahabis, who are Mahommedan reformers, recalled him to his kingdom, but too late to be of service.

THE DANISH WEST INDIES.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

The inhabitants of the Danish West Indies have been allowed two years in which to declare their allegiance to the United States.

SMALLPOX.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

The steamer Kansas, from Boston (U.S.A.) to Liverpool, has landed 18 of the crew and cattlemen suffering from smallpox.

THE LIBERTADOR.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

The sinking of the Libertador (Ban Righ) is denied.

It was reported that the Libertador was sunk by a Venezuelan gunboat at Puerto Colombia.

THE NORTH LYELL COMPANY.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

The North Mount Lyell Consols Company is issuing 100,000 reserved shares at par. The first offering will be made to shareholders in the proportion of one share for each five now held.

The total shares in reserve of the North Mount Lyell Consols number 100,000.

DO YOUR BEST
to give the children light, nourishing food, and plenty of it—it's cheap enough. Try ARNOTT'S MILK ARROWROOT BISCUITS.—Advt.

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

THE LIEBENBERGSVLEI ENGAGEMENT.

NEW ZEALANDERS CAPTURE THE GUNS.

BOERS BETWEEN TWO FIRES.

NARROW ESCAPE OF DE WET.

LONDON, Feb. 8.

Further details have been received of the engagement at Liebenbergsvlei, west of Reitz, between Colonel Garrett's forces and a portion of Commandant de Wet's forces under Commandant Meares.

The New Zealanders, 120 strong, in pursuing the convoy and the guns of the Boers, charged the rearguard of the enemy, 60 in number, who were strongly posted, and then galloped to the head of the convoy, capturing it and the artillery.

The enemy simultaneously came into collision with three sections which Colonel Garrett had previously posted ahead of them in their way.

The Boers were chased for eight miles to the westward.

The only casualties were one New Zealander killed and two others wounded while capturing the guns.

The New Zealanders repulsed a bold attempt by Commandant Meares to recapture the lost pom-pom.

Commandant de Wet, who was three miles off when the fighting commenced, was hotly pursued. He quitted his cart and fled on horseback, a small guard making a diversion and delaying the pursuit of their commandant.

The guns captured by the New Zealanders were the 15-pounder and pom-pom taken by the Boers from the Imperial Yeomanry at Tweefontein on Christmas morning, and the last pom-pom of Commandant De Wet's forces, three pieces in all. The Boers lost five killed, including Field-cornet Wessels, six wounded, and 27 captured, including Captain Muller, of the Staats Artillerie. Many cattle were captured. At the same time the South African Light Horse and a squadron of Imperial Yeomanry captured 700 cattle and the remount depot of Mr. Steyn.

COMMANDANT MARAIS TAKEN.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

A scout captured Commandant Marias near the Laingsburg.

[Laingsburg is on the railway line about 260 miles east-north-east of Capetown.]

BRITISH CAPTURES.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

The capture by Major Leader of 131 Boers, including Commandant Sarel Alberts, Landrost Potgieter, and Field-Cornet Jan du Plessis, of Delarey's commando, was due to a night march. The pom-pom and rifle fire of the British caused a stampede of the Boer horses. The commando was surprised and scarcely resisted.

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Lieutenant-Colonel F. D. Wing's force killed 3 Boers and captured 13 others near Brugspruit, on the Delagoa line, 67 miles east of Pretoria.

THE NATIONAL SCOUTS.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

The National (Burgher) Scouts in the Middleburg district have captured an additional 20 Boers, including Field-Cornet Gouws.

Commandant Andres Cronje's protest against the prolongation of the war and announcing the formation of a Burgher Corps has annoyed Commandant Delarey, who replied curtly.

Feb. 9.

The National Scouts captured 10 men, including Field Cornet Vanzye, at Haenertsburg.

FAILURE OF ATTACK ON COLLIERIES.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

Vanniekerk's commando tried to fire the Braakpan Collieries, but were repulsed, and lost two men killed.

BOER CONFIDENCE STILL IN MR. KRUGER.

LONDON, Feb. 8.

Messrs. Servage and Locks, two Boer officers sent by the Boer authorities in South Africa to Mr. Kruger, were interviewed on landing at Marseilles. They stated that "the Boers have implicit confidence in Mr. Kruger. He has only to pronounce the word. If he bids them to submit they will obey."

OVERTURES FOR PEACE.

LORD MILNER AND LORD KITCHENER ASSOCIATED.

LONDON, Feb. 8.

Mr Chamberlain (the Secretary of State for the Colonies) stated in the House of Commons last night that Lord Milner, the High Commissioner for South Africa and Governor of the Orange River Colony and the Transvaal, would be associated with Lord Kitchener (General Commanding-in-Chief the forces in South Africa) in considering any peace overtures which might be entertained.

AUSTRALASIAN CASUALTIES.

LONDON, Feb. 8.

Lieutenant George Augustus Morris, of the 6th Western Australian Contingent, was killed at Rolspruit.

Private A. M. Daley, of the 3rd New South Wales Mounted Rifles, died of enteric fever at Norvalspont.

Private Bertram Cochrane, of the South Australian Bushmen, died of dysentery at Capetown.

Feb. 9.

Private F. E. Parl and Private F. Goode, of the 6th New Zealand Mounted Rifles, died of enteric fever. Private T. S. Hickens and Private F. C. Brown, of the 7th New Zealand Mounted Rifles, died of wounds.

RETURNED SOLDIERS.

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMER OONAH.

THE MEN ENTERTAINED.

The Union Steamship Company's steamer Oonah arrived in Sydney about 6.30 p.m. on Saturday, having on board a number of returning invalided New South Wales soldiers. Captain Parsons, of the Imperial Yeomanry, and Lieutenant Hopkinson, of the Sixth Dragoon Guards, were also on board having came to Australia on special remount service for the Imperial Army. The troops left Capetown in the steamer Karamea on January 14. Major H. H. Braurie, D.S.O., was in command as far as Hobart, where he left the ship. At Hobart the men were transferred from the Karamea, and joined the steamer Oonah on the 5th instant, Captain Parsons taking command. Most of those who returned were connected with the Second New South Wales Mounted Rifles and the Third New South Wales Bushmen. Captain E. J. Thomas, of the Imperial and States Contingent Department, met the men at the wharf on arrival. They appeared well, and had evidently benefitted by the trip home. The men proceeded to the Treasury, and each received an advance payment, until Monday, when the balance due them will be paid. Captain Thomas subsequently entertained the whole of the men at dinner at Quong Tart's Elite Hall. Captain Thomas presided, and had with him Captain Selwyn Smith and Mr. C. J. Jewell, of the contingent's pay department. The health of the King having been drunk with enthusiasm the chairman said he had, on behalf of the Premier (Mr. See) and the Government, to extend a hearty welcome home to the men who had just returned. (Hear, hear.) He trusted they were satisfied with the way that they had been received. (Applause.)

Sergeant-major Hefferman, on behalf of the men, returned thanks to Captain Thomas for his expressions of welcome on behalf of the New South Wales Government. (Hear, hear.) The men rose to their feet, whilst Sergeant-major Hefferman said they desired to thank Captain Parsons, of the Imperial Yeomanry, who was in command from Hobart to Sydney, for his kindness and consideration. (Applause.) He submitted the health of their late commander.

Captain Parsons, on rising to respond, was received with loud and continued applause. He said he was pleased to think that he had during the voyage won the esteem of the men. He was further pleased at having assisted in the command of the Australian troops. He recognised in the Australian volunteer contingents men of intelligence and also of gallantry. (Hear, hear.)

The following is a list of the men who returned:—

THIRD N.S.W. BUSHMEN.

Sergeant-major George Hefferman, Sergeant Joseph Arthur Porter (Queensland), Sergeant Arthur Bollard, Corporal Henry Mitchell, Trooper Frank Breen, Trooper John Albert Bruce, Trooper Alfred Richard Jones.

SECOND N.S.W. MOUNTED RIFLES.

Quartermaster-sergeant Horace Nixon (Queensland), Lance-corporal William Thompson, Trooper Arthur George Spencer, Trooper Frank Seymour, Trooper Sidney Constable, Trooper John Woods Cousley, Trooper Thomas Crick, Trooper Albert Langford Lister, Trooper Benjamin Martin Gribben, Trooper-bugler Noel Clarke, Trooper Victor Harry Whiney, Trooper Roy Cordon Young, Saddler George Smith, Trooper Linden Teague, Trooper William Fuller, Trooper Mortimer M'Mahon, Trooper Clement Hynes, Trooper Kingsley Charles Birchall, — Whitman (4th Hussars), and T. A. Smith (Imperial Yeomanry).

NEW SOUTH WALES VOLUNTEERS.

The following is a copy of telegraphic despatches received by the Premier, through the Lieutenant-Governor, from the Chief Casualty Officer, Capetown:—

"Death from enteric fever, Bloemfontein, February 11, Third New South Wales Mounted Infantry, No. 1231 Charles Jackson. Dangerously ill, enteric fever, February 3, Norvalspont, Third New South Wales Mounted Infantry, No. 1767 A. Hoffman, No. 2061 Farmer A. R. Olive, No. 1471 A. Lynch, and No. 2251 W. G. Kidson.

"Condition of Nursing Sister Pocock, February 3, slightly improved.

"Referring to your telegram February 5, Sergeant-major Thomas, Second New South Wales Mounted Infantry, progressing favourably.

"Dangerously ill at Norvalspont, February 2: Third New South Wales Mounted Infantry, W. Bratt; Heilbron, Third New South Wales Mounted Infantry, 2466 H. M. Bayliss; both of enteric fever.

"My telegram of 3rd instant should read as follows, please make necessary corrections:—'Condition of Captain Chapman, February 2, improving.'

"Referring to your telegram of January 18, No. 1293 F. W. Furlong, Johannesburg Mounted Rifles, discharged from corps December last, left no address.

"Referring to your telegram of January 29, Sergeant Connolly, Utrecht Vryheid Mounted Police, was discharged from hospital to corps, Irregular Depot, Pietermaritzburg, December 12.

"Deaths from enteric fever: At Standerton, February 2, Second New South Wales Mounted Infantry, No. 664 David Ross Creighton. At Heilbron, February 2, Third New South Wales Mounted Infantry, No. 1128 Edwin Sams.

"Dangerously ill, February 1: At Ermelo, Second New South Wales Mounted Infantry, No. 155 Quartermaster-sergeant W. S. Cripps; at Springfontein, New South Wales Mounted Infantry, No. 1373 A. Goaber; at Standerton, Third New South Wales Bushmen's Contingent, No. 303 Walter E. Marr: all of enteric fever."

NEW ZEALAND EIGHTH CONTINGENT.

DEPARTURE OF THE SOUTH ISLAND BATTALION.

SPEECHES BY LORD RANFURLY AND MR. SEDDON.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), Saturday.

The South Island battalion of the Eight Contingent left Lyttelton on board the Cornwall on Saturday for South Africa. Lord Ranfurly, in the course of a speech, said that though the people here did not look at the matter from the motive of their own interests, the establishment of a strong British South Africa was all important to New Zealand. There were but two trade routes to New Zealand—one via the Suez Canal, which in the event of a European war was impossible, and the other by the Cape. If South Africa were in the hands of an unfriendly Power it would mean the isolation of New Zealand. Therefore we were fighting in our own interests as well as doing our duty.

The Premier announced that in response to the call for the Ninth Contingent of 1000 men there were 5150 applications. This news, Mr. Seddon said, would let their kindred in the mother country know that in little New Zealand there were still more men if more were wanted. He read a telegram from Sir F. Sargood, of Victoria, wishing the contingent good luck, congratulating the colony on its promptitude in offering additional troops, and trusting that a lasting peace based on unconditional surrender would soon be brought about. Mr. Seddon said Sir F. Sargood's reference to unconditional surrender touched the note which would re-echo throughout the Empire. It might be that another 5000 men would be wanted to force unconditional surrender. If so, they would have 5000 as cheerfully as 500.

The Cornwall will call at Albany.

MILLTHORPE, Saturday.

Private Edward Sains, of the 3rd New South Wales Mounted Rifles, who died of enteric fever at Heilbron, belonged to Millthorpe, where his parents reside.

THE CRUISER AMPHITRITE ASHORE.

LONDON, Feb. 8.

The twin screw first-class cruiser Amphitrite, Captain William Stokes Rees, C.B., is ashore in Suez Bay.

The Amphitrite, which is on special service, is a cruiser of 11,000 tons, with an indicated horse-power of 18,000. Her dimensions are: Length, 435ft.; beam, 69ft.; draught, 25ft. 3in. She carries a crew of 677 officers and men.

VISIT OF THE ARCHDUKE FRANZ TO THE CZAR.

LONDON, Feb. 8.

The Archduke Franz, heir-presumptive to the Throne of Austria-Hungary, has arrived at St. Petersburg and has been heartily welcomed by the Czar.

The stated object of the visit of the Archduke Franz to the Czar is to be acknowledged in his rank of General Officer in the Russian Army. His visit is, however, considered to be of high political significance, and it is partly attributed to the statement of Count von Bulow, the German Chancellor, that the Triple Alliance is not indispensable.

THE EAST DOWN ELECTION.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

The success of Mr. J. Wood at the East Down election was due to the Nationalist vote.

OBITUARY.

MR. T. S. COOPER, R.A.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

The death is announced of Mr. Thomas Sidney Cooper, R.A., the celebrated animal painter, in his 99th year.

[Mr. Thomas Sidney Cooper, R.A., was born September 26, 1803. After a course of the R.A. School, commencing in 1823, he studied in Brussels from 1827 to 1830. He was noted as a landscape and animal painter, and was elected to the Royal Academy in 1867. An example of his work "Minster Marshes, East Kent," is hung in the Sydney Art Gallery.]

GENERAL CABLE NEWS.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

An insurance agent was sentenced at Edinburgh to-day to 18 months' imprisonment for forging a will purporting to be that of Mr. George Johnston, the millionaire hermit of Lathrisk.

The late Mr. George Johnston, of Lathrisk, Fife, died in 1900. His estate, heritable and movable, was valued at over £1,000,000. He was supposed to have died intestate, but some months ago it was alleged that a will purporting to be his had been discovered in the lining of a lady's dress, which was stated to belong to a niece of the original owner. The inheritor of the estate in default of a will is Mr. C. J. Maitland-Makgill-Crichton-Johnston, and he had settled amicably with all the blood relatives or claimants. The alleged will directed the payment, subject to certain small bequests, of £40,000, concealed in a chest, to a Miss Margaret Preston, and half of testator's belongings to Miss Ann Prescott. The witnesses to the will, which was dated December 18, 1869, all predeceased testator, who was of very eccentric habits, and who in his later years refrained from seeing anybody. An examination of the paper on which the will was written showed that the material was manufactured many years subsequent to the date of the document.

TAKE IN HEALTH
as you take in air—through the mouth. ARNOTT'S MILK ARROWROOTS will sustain and satisfy the most delicate organisms.—Advt.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

THE PROCEDURE BILL.

SECOND READING CARRIED.

LONDON, Feb. 8.

In the House of Commons last night the debate on the second reading of the Procedure Bill was continued.

The amendment moved by Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman, the leader of the Opposition, to refer the bill to a select committee, was negatived by 90 votes, the division being—

For the amendment ..	.. 160
Against the amendment ..	250

The second reading of the bill was then agreed to.

CLERK OF THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

LONDON, Feb. 8.

Sir Courtney Peregrine Ilbert, K.C.S.I., Parliamentary Counsel to the Treasury, has been appointed Clerk of the House of Commons in succession to Mr. A. J. S. Milman, C.B.

Mr. Milman has been Clerk of the House of Commons since 1900. His successor, Sir Courtney Ilbert, was formerly the legal member of the Council of the Governor-General of India, and from that position was appointed Assistant Counsel to the Treasury, and in 1899 he was promoted to the full position. His new promotion carries with it a salary of £2000 and residence in the Palace of Westminster.

THE KING.

LONDON, Feb. 7.

The Agents-General have been granted private entree to King Edward's first levee.

THE GOVERNOR OF NEW SOUTH WALES.

TO BE ENTERTAINED BY THE COLONIAL CLUB.

LONDON, Feb. 8.

Sir H. H. Rawson, the Governor of New South Wales, will be the principal guest at the dinner to be given by the Colonial Club on the 28th instant.

THE PATRIOTIC DEMONSTRATION.

MEETING AT THE TOWN HALL.

The patriotic demonstration promoted by the board of directors of the Australian Natives' Association is to be held in the Town Hall to-night. The doors will be open at 7.15 p.m., but the southern gallery having been reserved for ladies, it will be accessible from the Druitt-street entrance from 7 p.m. The Mayor of Sydney, Alderman T. Hughes, is to preside. A programme of patriotic music has been arranged, the performers to include Miss Jennie Opie, Messrs. A. Mason, the city organist, L. De Groen, A. Edward, Howard Chambers, and Harry Rickards, Sobraon Band, Newtown Band, and Cadet Band. The speakers have been selected from among the ranks of men of all political faiths. The Premier, Mr. See, is to move, and Senator R. E. O'Connor to second the first resolution, and it is to be supported by Mr. G. H. Reid, M.P., and Mr. Lee, M.L.A., leaders of the Opposition in the Federal and the State Parliaments respectively. The resolution is as follows:—"That this meeting of citizens assembled under the auspices of the Australian Natives' Association takes this opportunity of expressing its entire confidence in the British Government in the courses they are pursuing in connection with the war in South Africa, and also in the Commander-in-chief of the Imperial federated army engaged therein." The second resolution, which is to be proposed by Mr. Nobbs, M.L.A., president of the Australian Natives' Association, and seconded by Mr. W. Martin, vice-president of the Australian Natives' Association, is as follows:—"That this meeting deprecates the slanders uttered against the Imperial, Australasian, and Canadian troops in South Africa by persons in foreign countries, and others in Great Britain and her dependencies, the latter of whom should stand shoulder to shoulder with the Empire in her hour of need."

At the adjourned meeting of the New South Wales Typographical Association held at the Trades Hall on Saturday night, a motion expressive of satisfaction at the action of the board of management in repudiating the anti-British war resolution carried at the recent Political Labour Conference was moved by Mr. H. M'Evoy, seconded by Mr. J. W. Morris, and carried with enthusiasm.

FRAMING A TARIFF.

HOW LOCAL INFLUENCES OPERATE.

SOME SIDELIGHTS BY MR. G. H. REID.

Mr. G. H. Reid, M.P., leader of the Opposition in the House of Representatives, returned to Sydney on Saturday, and placed a few of his busy moments at the disposal of a representative of the "Herald." He was asked to speak of the progress of the tariff through Parliament.

"The progress of the tariff has been extremely slow," he said, "but that has mainly arisen from the enormous number of selfish influences that have been set at work by people interested. Those people have inundated the House and assailed members with their petitions and requests. There has been a struggle between those who want protection for their industries as against the freetrade element in the House. Then there has been a struggle between protectionists who want protection for themselves and to prevent other people from being protected in respect of any materials which they, the first-mentioned class, use. There has been a great deal of 'dog eat dog' right through. Men eager to get a protective duty on the thing they make have been seen to fight vigorously against any protectionist duty being placed on articles which they need in making that thing. The old feature about the protectionist has come more in evidence than ever. Manufacturers are great protectionists as to things they sell, but are keenly alive to the advantages of freetrade as to articles which they buy. Hence the enormous number of applications to place things on the free list.

"One of the most singular and contemptible features about the work of the committee is the readiness with which the Government has sacrificed the interests of large producing industries because some one has got up and said that Smith or Brown or Thompson could make, or said he could make, the articles necessary for those industries. The moment that sort of statement was made the Government ceased any sort of attempt to put the article on the free list. This happened so often that it became a joke about the House but it was a very painful joke to the people, and to those of New South Wales especially.

"The fact that Parliament is sitting in Melbourne has given the protectionist manufacturers of that city a great advantage, because they are at hand, whilst the ignorance of the Federal Government as to the manufactures of this State is made more and more apparent every day. One would think that the Ministry in getting the information about the position of the manufacturers in the different States would take the trouble to learn something of those in New South Wales, but so far as the committee can see, they get the information from Melbourne. The people who are commissioned to collect information for the Government seem as a general rule to confine their inquiries within Victoria and South Australia. That has become obvious on more than one occasion. The whole thing," said Mr. Reid, in conclusion, "is becoming a hideous mess, and if the tariff is to be constructed on any definite principles it will have to be remodelled."

"By another Government, do you mean?"

"I only say that it will have to be remodelled," Mr. Reid replied.

OSTRICH-BREEDING.

RICHMOND, Saturday.

About two years ago the Minister for Agriculture sanctioned the purchase of a pair of ostriches for the Hawkesbury Agricultural College at a cost of about £100. Since their arrival they have remained in excellent health, and their surroundings seem in every way suitable. Six eggs were produced this season, all of which proved fertile, and were hatched. This is probably the first rearing of ostriches in New South Wales. Five eggs were hatched by the parent birds, and one was successfully treated in the incubator. The young ostriches are now a month old, are of wonderful size and health, and many visitors pay a visit to the college for the purpose of seeing them. It appears the export of ostriches from South Africa is now restricted by a duty of £100 each. The current value of the small flock at the Hawkesbury Agricultural College therefore represents a high figure.

THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL.

MELBOURNE, Sunday.

The Governor-General and Lady Hopetoun passed through Ballarat on Saturday afternoon on their way to Carramballoc, where they propose to spend a week or two.

IF YOU WANT TO BORROW MONEY, go to N.S.W. Mont de Piete Co., Ltd., 74 Castlereagh-street, 74. Eustace Bennett, general manager.—Advt.

THE FEDERAL CONTINGENTS.

A QUIET DAY IN CAMP.

The week-end is generally a time of quietness in military camps, and Saturday and yesterday were such in the camp of the first battalion located on the old rifle range. B Company, however, was sent out early on Saturday to the National Park for the purpose of being instructed in field defences, reconnaissances, &c., similar to that given last week to A, C, and D companies. The men returned to camp last evening.

The work of allotting horses to a number of the volunteers was practically finished on Saturday. Later, pay was distributed, and in the afternoon, what might be termed a bathing parade, took place, when many of the men gave their horses a bath in the surf at Coogee. The majority of the officers on Saturday morning journeyed to Randwick and indulged in revolver practice.

Yesterday morning a church parade was held, the service being conducted in the arena of the Agricultural Ground. A large number of friends of the departing officers and men visited the camp in the afternoon.

On Tuesday and Wednesday the four companies will be engaged in manœuvres and field firing, in the vicinity of the Randwick Rifle Range. The officers have subscribed prizes, to be awarded to the teams which do the best work.

This will be the battalion's last week under canvas, as it embarks next Monday.

THE SECOND CONTINGENT.

327 MEN SWORN IN.

THE QUOTA PRACTICALLY COMPLETE.

Saturday's attestations by Major Boam, D.A.A.G., numbered 41, bringing the total recruited for this State's quota to the Second Federal Contingent up to 327. This leaves 21 vacancies, and these will easily be filled from the number of men in camp who have passed the medical but not the riding and shooting tests. The riding test was successfully passed by 36 applicants, there being no failures, whilst 22 passed the shooting test, and again no rejections. Only three men were medically examined by Major Roth, D.S.O., and Captain Lane Mullins, A.M.C., and one failed.

Horses for this contingent are coming to hand in fair numbers. By to-night there will be nearly 200 in the Agricultural Ground. The first portion of the men's uniforms will be delivered on Wednesday.

There is no information to be obtained yet respecting the name of the probable commanding officer of the battalion or the names of those who will be on his staff.

The undermentioned were attached for duty with the Second Commonwealth Contingent on Saturday:—Acting-Lieutenants J. S. Morgan, W. Atkinson, H. B. Woods, and G. F. Smith.

In general orders it is stated that the New South Wales, Queensland, and Tasmanian units now being organised as portion of the Second Commonwealth Contingent will hereafter be denominated as the third battalion Commonwealth Contingent.

POSTED TO COMPANIES.

The following men, having passed all tests, were attested, and regimental numbers alloted as under:—

A COMPANY.

1513 J. A. MANSON	1514 J. T. HOFFMAN
1515 J. R. GARDNER	1516 V. A. LITCHFIELD.

C COMPANY.

1759 E. O. JONES	1760 W. G. A. POWELL
1761 G. J. FREEMAN	1762 A. J. SLADE
1763 G. S. MACKAY	1764 W. E. SPEING
1765 J. B. WARD	1766 G. W. SHEAD
1767 M. E. WALSH	1768 T. HARLAND
1769 T. CALLINAN	1770 E. GLESSNER
1771 H. E. TWIST	1772 F. F. COOK
1773 W. P. SWAN	1774 C. O. QUINN
1775 H. G. C. CAMPBELL	1776 A. MALCOLM
1777 W. J. BLACK	1778 C. M'KAY
1779 P. H. M. CURTIS	1780 R. LEA
1781 W. T. PRITZLER	1782 M. G. WELLS
1783 G. M'CONALD	1784 W. J. DAWSON
1785 A. S. CARPENTER	1786 F. SAVORY
1787 J. TURNER	1788 F. M. WILLIAMS
1789 J. A. WINCH	1790 H. HANDLEY
1791 W. WALTERS	1792 F. D. O'DONNELL
1793 J. WILLIAMS	1794 H. O. PUTNEY.
1795 C. E. DE SMET	

THE ARMY MEDICAL CORPS.

The unit of the Army Medical Corps will embark to-morrow (Tuesday) at 3 p.m. on board the Manchester Merchant, lying at Woolloomooloo. Details of the arrangements for embarkation were published in the "Herald" last Friday. On Saturday another man was enrolled in the New South Wales detachment—No. 1294 J. M. Moore.

COLONEL WILLIAMS, C.B.

REMAINING IN AUSTRALIA.

In connection with the departure for South Africa, on Tuesday next, of the Army Medical Corps just formed for service at the front, it was anticipated that Colonel Williams, C.B., principal medical officer, would be a passenger by the transport. He was expecting to proceed to South Africa, in compliance with a request made a few weeks ago by Lord Kitchener (the Commander-in-Chief) who desired his services in reorganising all the medical forces in the field. Colonel Williams has, however, been ordered by the Federal Commandant to remain here. The reasons for this decision have not been disclosed.

VICTORIA.

MELBOURNE, Sunday.

The transport St. Andrew is expected to arrive from Sydney to-morrow afternoon, and will be berthed at Port Melbourne railway pier. The baggage and fodder will be chipped on Tuesday, and the embarkation of troops and horses will take place on Wednesday. Major Tivery will be in command of the Victorian troops, the order previously given that he should proceed to South Africa in charge of the Tasmanian, South and the Western Australian sections having been cancelled.

Mr. Frederick Richard Childe, who proceeds with the Army Medical Corps to South Africa, has resigned his position on the permanent staff of the Civil Ambulance and Transport Brigade of New South Wales.

THE BUBONIC PLAGUE.

TWO MORE CASES.

The Premier on Saturday morning received the following report from Dr. Tidswell, Acting Chief Medical Officer of the Government:—I have to report that a further suspicious case, which came to my knowledge this morning, has been visited by a medical officer of this department, and pronounced to be plague. The patient is A. Huxley, 30, residing at Alexandria, and he is the proprietor of a produce store there. Instructions have been given for the removal of the patient to the isolation wards at the Coast Hospital, and the contacts have been placed under medical surveillance. Both the residence and place of occupation have been placed under guard pending disinfection. A further suspicious case since reported has also been found to be plague. The patient is a Greek (George Wochima), said to be an employee at a place of business in George-street West.

The report from the Coast Hospital on Saturday was to the following effect:—V. U. E. Vandy is improved, Mrs. and Miss Gardiner still continue to do well, Miss Church is gradually gaining strength, Ruby Vipond is improving, Thomas Cuddy is seriously ill and inclined to be delirious.

It was reported yesterday that the patient James Foy died at 2 p.m. The other patients were mostly improving.

ACTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL.

Immediately on the fresh cases of plague mentioned in the "Herald" being reported to the City Council, Dr. W. G. Armstrong, the City Health Officer, was directed to report on the premises wherein the cases had occurred. He did so, and in his report to the Mayor states that he had visited both premises, and found that in accordance with the usual custom the Board of Health had taken over the infected buildings for disinfection and surveillance of contacts. At one of the premises he found evidence of infestation by rats, and at both places the floors would be raised and a search made for rats. Two members of the inspecting staff of the council had been detailed to visit the vicinity and make a thorough inspection of all the premises in the immediate neighbourhood of each house where the visitation has occurred. Their instructions were also to immediately report any insanitary conditions observed, and to serve notices upon all owners or occupiers as might be found desirable. Members of the rat-catching staff had also been dispatched to each house. A recommendation is made at the conclusion of the report that the council should appoint additional rat catchers.

A meeting of the Staff and Labour Committee of the council has been called for Monday afternoon to consider the recommendation.

A correspondent signing himself "Stringeybark" writes stating that all bushmen know the value of carpet snakes where rats and mice are concerned; and that if the City Council or the Government would procure a few hundred carpet snakes and distribute them about the wharfs, &c., they would do better work than all the men employed destroying rats. He adds that beyond the initial outlay, say £1 a head, nothing further would be required.

STEAMER ALBANY BREAKS DOWN.

TOWED TO TOWNSVILLE.

BRISBANE, Sunday.

The Adelaide Steamship Company has received a telegram from Townsville to the effect that the Albany broke down when 12 miles south of Cape Cleveland. She broke her main thrust shaft. At the time of the breakdown, she was within three hours' sailing of Townsville. The Albany was towed to Townsville by the Allinga. The steamer is being repaired at Townsville, and will leave that port on the 13th for Sydney direct.

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QUEENSLAND.

MEAT EXPORT AND AGENCY COMPANY.

BRISBANE, Sunday.

The eleventh annual meeting of the Queensland Meat Export and Agency Company was held yesterday. The chairman pointed out that the reserve fund was now £105,000, besides reserves for renewals, replacements, depreciation, &c., amounting to £48,719. The capital and reserve together amounted to £307,083. Owing to the large amount of working capital necessary it might be advisable to consider the question of issuing further shares during the year. £7800 was repaid to the Meat and Dairy Board, and the balance due stood at £28,571. 74,390 cattle and 75,000 sheep were treated. A dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. was declared payable.

NEW SOUTH WALES PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE.

The members of the New South Wales Parliamentary Standing Committee on Public Works arrived at Brisbane on Friday from Southport. They are engaged on an inquiry respecting the proposed breakwater at the Clarence River Heads. Yesterday morning the party occupied themselves by a tramway ride through the city and suburbs, and in the afternoon they were entertained by the Queensland Government at luncheon at Parliament House. This morning they left by ordinary mail train for Glen Innes. Further evidence will be taken there before going on to Sydney, where it is anticipated they will arrive on Tuesday morning.

THE RAINFALL.

The following are the principal rainfalls reported for the 24 hours ended 9 a.m. yesterday:—Ayr, 28 points; Bowen, 15; Cardwell, 107; Cooktown, 41; Geraldton, 142; Herberton, 22; Mackay, 157; Mein, 129; Palmerville, 150; Tate River, 65; Wyandotte, 20; Cape Capricorn, 38; Cape Moreton, 44; Goondiwindi, 29; Miles, 126; Yandina, 35. The following reported this morning:—Brisbane, 78 points; Bowen, 33; Bundaberg, 15; Cooktown, 11; Ipswich, 16; Mackay, 452; Rockhampton, 34; M'Donnell, 143; Thursday Island, 102; Cape York, 81.

THE WOOL SALES.

The fifth wool sales of the present season were held yesterday. Five thousand seven hundred and forty-six bales were catalogued. There was a good attendance of buyers, and competition was most animated. Prices averaged 5 per cent. to 7½ per cent. higher than the December sales. The top price of greasy was 8¼d; scoured, 17¾d.

The Commissioner of Police has received a communication from Tambo stating that a scalper named Charles Carmen was found dead at his camp, seven miles from Tarwell station.

The Premier will probably leave in about a fortnight for a visit to the northern portion of the State in connection with the general elections.

At a meeting of the City Council yesterday Alderman Corrie was elected Mayor of Brisbane for the ensuing term.

At the annual general meeting of the Brisbane Gas Company yesterday the report and balance-sheet, which were adopted, showed a credit balance to profit and loss, including a balance from the last half-year, of £10,262. A dividend of 5 per cent. was declared.

NEW ZEALAND.

THE BANK OF NEW ZEALAND.

WELLINGTON, Sunday.

The half-yearly meeting of the Bank of New Zealand was held on Friday. The only business was the election of a director. Mr. Martin Kennedy was re-elected. Mr. Malet, the chairman, said that compared with the corresponding period of 12 months there had been a very satisfactory increase in the volume of business. The profits for the half-year were fully maintained.

Mr. Kennedy suggested an alteration in the method of dealing with proxies so that shareholders at a distance should not be disfranchised. He thought that the plan of the A.M.P. Society in allowing voting through the post should be adopted. Regarding a dividend, he could only quote the words of the Act which stated how the profits must be administered, and say that if the money of the bank had been due merely on debentures or borrowed in the ordinary course there would be a dividend. The bank's affairs were clean, and a sufficient surplus of profits would warrant them paying a dividend. The opinion of the whole directors was that there were sufficient profits to pay a dividend unless other circumstances forced the hands of the Government, and he believed that there would be a dividend, but this was only an individual opinion.

REQUEST FOR BOER PRISONERS.

At a meeting at Christchurch a committee was appointed to urge the Premier to favourably consider the request from the Chatham Islands that Boer prisoners should be sent there.

NEW ZEALAND AND VICTORIAN BUTTER.

Mr. Seddon, the Premier, speaking at the dinner of the delegates to the Chamber of Commerce, said that he had official information that orders had been sent to New Zealand from Victoria to send butter to South Africa, the article to be branded and packed in boxes identical with those of Victoria. He was glad to say that these sharp dealers would not be able to evade the law of New Zealand concerning the grading and the branding of products.

THE MAIL SERVICES.

Mr. James Mills, of the Union Company, when interviewed on Friday said the statement that steamers were timed to leave Australia and New Zealand so as not to connect promptly with the Brindisi mail service was not in accordance with facts. The company made no connection with the federal service, because it did not suit the company generally. Closer connection with the federal service in Sydney would involve special and costly arrangements, and would be inconvenient to the public. The company did not know what was meant by the statement that the company was trying to drive New Zealand into the other trades in which the company was interested. If it meant thwarting the federal service to secure the New Zealand subsidy for Vancouver, the argument had no weight, as the timetable was many years old, and the company was interested in the Vancouver service only a few months.

PROPOSED FEDERATION WITH FIJI.

Mr. Humphrey Berkley, of Fiji, when interviewed at Auckland, said he regarded the federation of Fiji with New Zealand as bound to come. Black labour could not be abolished, which was of course a bar to the islands entering the Commonwealth, the Federal Parliament having declared for a white Australia. New Zealand, after all she had done for the Empire in the matter of assistance to the army in South Africa, had a right to ask the Imperial Government for federation with Fiji or for the annexation of the group. The present time was particularly appropriate for asking what would undoubtedly prove a boon to both colonies.

It is doubtful whether the constituents of Mr Palmer, the member for Ohinemuri, who wishes to take a commission in the Ninth Contingent, will let him go.

The total net fire losses in New Zealand last year amounted to £385,609.

The revenue for 10 months of the financial year shows an increase of over £150,000.

Mr. Hyams, the Rugby delegate, is a passenger by the Westralia, which sailed on Saturday for Sydney, also a number of cricketers to see the test match.

THE WEATHER.

RAIN IN THE NORTH-EAST.

HOT AND DRY IN WESTERN AND CENTRAL DISTRICTS.

The anticipations of generous February rains in New South Wales have not yet been realised. With the exception of a small area of country in the north-eastern corner of the State, about the Tweed and Richmond rivers districts, the rain chart issued on Saturday morning by Mr. Russell was a blank.

Locally there has been a continuance of E. to N.E. winds, with as usual a high percentage of atmospheric humidity. Appearances on the coast north from Sydney have encouraged the belief that some good showers were likely to favour the coastal division, and yesterday there were several intervals of cloud promising a refreshing downpour, but the day in Sydney closed fine, as it did in almost every other part of the State.

The breeze yesterday in the harbour was strong in squalls, and a few sailing craft capsized. The hardest of the blows occurred in the afternoon, when in the gusts the velocity recorded by the anemometer reached only 20 miles per hour at the Observatory, but Mr. Russell points out that these squalls or puffs are frequently heavier on the surface of the harbour than the wind gauge on Observatory Hill records. On Saturday afternoon last between 3 and 4 o'clock the wind force was 25 miles per hour. The strongest gust for the day was 30 miles per hour at 2 p.m.

BUSH FIRES.

ADELONG, Saturday.

A bush fire started on Billaplap station yesterday, and is still burning. 7000 acres of grass were burnt. The fire has travelled 10 miles. Green Hills station is now on fire, and several small holdings have been burnt out.

LISMORE, Saturday.

Light showers fell last night, and to-day.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

The Commandant has approved of Sergeant T. Smith, "H" (Lambton) Company, 4th Infantry Regiment, being permitted to retire upon his rank, and to wear the uniform of his corps, as a recognition of his long service and exemplary conduct.

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FEDERAL CAPITAL SITE.

THE TOUR OF SENATORS.

HOW MR. G. H. REID REGARDS IT.

A CAUSTIC CRITICISM.

"I consider it is one of Sir William Lyne's clumsy ways of responding to public pressure; it is evidently intended to have some effect upon the meeting which has been in contemplation in Sydney for some days. At least, that is the impression the whole proceeding gives, though there may of course be other reasons for it."

This was the answer Mr. G. H. Reid, M.P., furnished on Saturday to a "Herald" reporter's question,—"Do you think the tour of Senators over some of the proposed sites will bring us nearer to the establishment of the Federal capital?" He was invited to elaborate his views, and did so.

"I cannot conceive a more ill-considered and blundering way of dealing with a great and important question. There is a sudden determination when no proper arrangements can be made. The plan of campaign is one which must break down. There is no method of any kind about it, and it is impossible to do justice to any of the important sites in the time. An arrangement of that sort ought to be thought out so carefully that the individual convenience of members could be closely studied, and the times of the visits to the different places arranged accordingly. Instead of that, the whole thing was sprung as a surprise on the Federal Parliament. It certainly seems to me to be a lamentable thing that this matter should have been treated as it has been.

"First of all, there was a ridiculous request made by the Federal Government that the Government of New South Wales should indicate a preference for one of the sites as the future capital of Australia; that was in itself manifestly ridiculous, and calculated to postpone action. Naturally, the New South Wales Government refused to walk into the dilemma. There was a long interval of delay in the correspondence between the two Governments, evidently caused by that request, because up to the time that it was made nothing could have been more prompt than the action of the New South Wales authorities in meeting all the requests of the Federal Government. I can only hope that they will not make such a mess of the matter when they deal with the House of Representatives. It is a very bad start. There do not seem to have been any proper arrangements made for the assistance which could be given by the New South Wales Government. Of course, there has probably been some communication between them, but I expect that, like the whole of the other arrangements, it was rushed in at a moment's notice, and no proper opportunity given to Mr. See to act upon. It is singular that the Federal Government should so persistently bungle everything it touches."

THE VISIT OF INSPECTION.

The State Premier (Mr. See) said on Saturday that every arrangement would be made by the Government in connection with the proposed visit of the senators to the federal capital sites. He did not intend to accompany the party, but had arranged for Mr. A. Oliver, President of the Land Court, who compiled the report relating to the federal capital, to travel with them with the object of affording full information. Mr. See will also send the yacht Victoria to Twofold Bay in order to bring back any of the senators who may desire to visit Sydney at the conclusion of the tour.

On inquiry at the offices of the Railway Commissioners on Saturday a "Herald" representative was informed that the officers of the department were in communication with the Federal Department for Home Affairs in connection with the proposed arrangements. It was believed that the party would number about 50. A special train will be run consisting of three sleeping cars, and train arrangements will be made to fit in with the programme of the tour. It was thought by the officials, however, that the arrangements as at first decided upon would have to be varied owing to the fact that the railway lines in Sydney are closed during the day on Sunday. It is understood that the party will rest in Sydney over Sunday next, and leave for Armidale the same night.

THE ITINERARY.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

MELBOURNE, Sunday.

It has been found necessary to make several minor alterations in the itinerary of the Senate's tour of the proposed sites for the federal capital. The amended time-table is as follows:—

TUESDAY, February 11.—Leave Melbourne 4.45 p.m., arrive Albury 10.30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 12th.—Leave Albury 2 p.m., arrive Wagga 4.30 p.m.; leave Wagga 10 p.m., arrive Gundagai Thursday, 13th, 2 a.m.

THURSDAY, 13th.—Leave Gundagai, 8 a.m., arrive Tumut 11.30 a.m.; leave Tumut 3.30 p.m., arrive Gundagai 7 p.m.; leave Gundagai 10 p.m., arrive Yass, Friday, 14th, at 2 a.m.

FRIDAY, 14th.—Leave Yass 2 p.m., arrive Goulburn 4 p.m.; leave Goulburn 9.30 p.m., arrive Orange, Saturday, 15th, at 7.30 a.m.

SATURDAY, 15th.—Leave Orange 4 p.m., arrive Sydney 11 p.m.

SUNDAY, 16th.—Leave Sydney 8 p.m., arrive Armidale 7 o'clock next morning.

MONDAY, 17th.—Leave Armidale 9 p.m., via Sydney, to Bungendore and Tarago next day.

TUESDAY, 18th.—Leave Tarago 9 p.m., arrive Cooma 2 p.m. next day.

WEDNESDAY, 19th.—Leave Cooma 9 a.m. for Dalgety.

THURSDAY, 20th.—Leave Dalgety 8 a.m. for Bombala.

FRIDAY, 21st.—Bombala.

SATURDAY, 22nd.—Leave Bombala at 8 a.m., arrive at Eden at 6 p.m.

SUNDAY, 23rd.—Leave Eden.

Eden to Melbourne by rail or steamer. In regard to the New South Wales railway arrangements the times indicated are as near as possible.

TUMUT, Saturday.

The Mayor (Alderman Blakeney) received a wire last night that the Federal Senators will arrive at Tumut on an inspection tour of the capital sites on Thursday next. The local Federal Capital League is surprised at the brief notice, but preparations for the luncheon and conveyances, &c., are being made. Mr. Donaldson received a wire to-day that a party numbering about 50 will arrive here in time for breakfast on Thursday, inspect the site at midday, and return to Gundagai for dinner in the evening. The visitors will travel via Brungle.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The sports programme for the federal picnic or inspection of sites by members of the Federal Parliament has at last been decided upon, and it appears to be too ridiculous to be taken seriously. The inspection is to be all over in fourteen days, and during that period the legislators are to travel 2500 miles, inspect 13 sites, make full investigation as to the suitability not only of the federal territory proposed in each instance, but of the location of the capital site within the federal territory. The federal territory in some instances comprises an area of 200,000 acres, and it is most essential that the capabilities of such a large area should be thoroughly investigated and every possible inquiry made, so that the Commonwealth shall secure the very best site, and at the same time the claims of New South Wales not be overlooked.

Is it reasonable that a proper inspection can be made, according to the Federal Government's programme?

One would imagine that the interests of Bombala have been considered, and not the interest of New South Wales. It is well known that the Victorian politicians would like to see Bombala selected, and it does seem unfair that four days out of fourteen will be spent in the Bombala district, whereas only a few hours are allowed for places like Yass, Goulburn, and Tumut. One part of the programme is amusing. It reads: "Reach Yass Friday morning, inspect site; leave for Goulburn, reach there 4 p.m., inspect site, leave for Orange same day." Yass and Goulburn, therefore, have a few hours devoted to the inspection, whereas the legislators remain in the Cooma and Bombala districts for four days, and also this is the locality which is the last one inspected. Another part of the programme is ridiculous. It reads:—"Thursday, arrive Gundagai, drive 20 miles to Tumut, inspect site and return to Gundagai the same afternoon." I would like to know what could be seen of the beautiful Tumut district in that time. Could Batlow, or the mountains about Yarrangobilly, the fine caves, or the rich Tumut flats be visited in the time? The party will drive to Tumut, inspect the site for proposed city, drink champagne at Gadara, and return without having seen any of federal territory. Poor Armidale receives a visit of three hours. The party reach Armidale about 3 o'clock; the site is then inspected, and a return made the same afternoon.

I am of opinion that the whole system of inspection by politicians is a farce, especially an inspection of 13 sites, some of which have not a single claim to be considered. It would be much better if politicians must inspect for a reduction to be made to the four sites selected by Mr. Oliver, viz., Yass, Bombala, Orange, and Tumut. It is purely a waste of time to inspect places where to obtain an efficient water supply for a federal city is almost impossible, and in some cases prohibitive.

I should like to have seen an independent body of experts who are at present residing in the other States appointed to select the federal territory, and not only the federal territory but the location of the capital within the federal territory.

I am, &c., ROBERT TRIPOD.

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NEWCASTLE.

SUBURBAN MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

NEWCASTLE, Sunday.

The annual elections of aldermen to serve in the different suburban municipal councils embraced in the Newcastle district took place yesterday, and in most instances created a good deal of interest. The only borough in which no contest took place was that of New Lambton. Advantage of the occasion was taken at Carrington to take a plebescite of the ratepayers on the question of lighting the streets of the municipality, with the result that the proposal was endorsed by 160 votes to 92. Appended are the results of the polling in the various boroughs:—

Hamilton.—East Ward: William Rees Alexander (re-elected unopposed). West Ward: William Rouse (elected unopposed). North Ward: Joseph Brown Barclay (elected), 60; Thomas Torpey, 56; William Wilson, 29. Extraordinary vacancy: Henry Vincent Harris (elected unopposed). South Ward: Dr. A. H. Horsfall, D.S.O., 96; Peter Bailey, 63. Auditors: James Sharp, sen., and Robert Reay Wonders (unopposed).

Waratah.—Thomas Alfred Inglis Braye, 242; Samuel Osborne Greenland, 210; Edward Hughes, 195 (all re-elected); Edmund Solomon, 113; Joseph Brown Barclay, 46. Auditors: William M'Dougall and Thomas Evans (both re-elected unopposed).

Wickham.—Wickham Ward: James Myers (elected), 116; Henry Evans, 65. North Wickham Ward: Robert Mason (elected unopposed). Islington Ward: Henry O'Neill (elected), 153; Alexander Shedden, jun., 82. Extraordinary vacancy: W. A. Wooderson (elected), 128; James Bowditch, 104. Tighes Hill Ward: Alfred Pepper (elected), 109; John Welford, 99. Auditors: John R. Allan and Robert H. Murray (elected).

Carrington.—Hugh Graham, 178; Robert M'Cann, 178; Alexander Thornton, 170 (all elected); John Johnston, 134; informal, 3. Referendum on question of lighting at a cost of 4d in the £: In favour, 160; against, 92.

Adamstown.—South Ward: Stephen Powell (elected), 77; Thomas John Couldrake, 39; James Arthur Eaton, 29.

New Lambton.—First Ward: Benjamin Bradley (elected unopposed). Second Ward: Charles Nelson (elected unopposed). Third Ward: Richard Lay (elected unopposed).

Merewether.—As aldermen—Macquarie Ward: Thomas Robson (elected unopposed). Glebe Ward: Frederick J. Jacobs (elected unopposed). Morgan Ward: Joseph Acton, 66 and William Newburn, 66, tied, and the Mayor announced that he would exercise his casting vote on Monday. Mitchell Ward: William Bailey, 47 (elected); Ebenezer Dunn, 40. As auditors: George Jones, 178; Robert James Kempster, 113 (both elected); John Wood, 71; John Fisher, 62; John Dyet, 62.

Wallsend.—As aldermen—Central Ward: Thomas Rees Davies (re-elected unopposed). Pitt Town Ward: William Bower, 45 (elected); William Brennan, 40. Brookstown and Heaton Ward: D. Jones, 16 (elected); Robert Lowe, 16. The two candidates tied, and the Mayor exercised his casting vote in favour of the former.

Plattsburg.—As aldermen: David Broadfoot, 190; John Bowne, 182; William Timmins, 167 (all elected); John Patrick, 67; Hugh Young, 65. Extraordinary vacancy: David Renfrey, 163 (elected); Samuel Rees, 79. Second extraordinary vacancy: William M'Ilroy (elected unopposed).

Stockton.—As aldermen: Charles Hudson, 266; Evan Rees, 237; Richard Lewis, 216 (all elected); David Sturt Savage, 160. As auditors: Robert Richardson and William Bell Errington elected.

THE WALLSEND REGATTA.

The annual Wallsend and Plattsburg regatta, which was postponed from Anniversary Day on account of the inclemency of the weather, was held on Lake Macquarie yesterday, and was largely attended. An excellent programme of sailing and rowing events was provided, and in order to add to the enjoyment of the day a number of footracing and other contests were arranged to take place on the foreshores. Appended are the results of the principal events:—

Sculling Race, for persons employed in or about a coal mine for three months previous to day of race; pulling two pairs of sculls, with coxswain; course, about 1 mile; first prize £4 5s cash and trophies, second prize £1 10s.—W. and D. Tresidder, feather, 1; F. Nicholson and W. Wallace, 5sth, 2; J. M'Guinness and J. Taylor, 25lb, 3. Won easily, with half a dozen lengths to spare.

Keel Boats' Sailing Race, boats not to exceed 20ft. overall, no fins or centre boards allowed, depth of keel not to exceed 4in.; once round the sailing course; first prize £5 15s cash and trophies, second prize £1. Shamrock, 5½ minutes, 1; Undine, 1½ minute, 2; Cyclone, 2 minutes, 3. There were seven other starters. Won by three-quarters of a minute.

All-comers' Sailing Race, for boats not exceeding 25ft. overall, fins, false keels, and centreboards allowed; twice round the sailing course; first prize £9 cash and trophy valued at £1 1s, second prize £2, third prize trophies, a special prize of a gold scarf pin to be presented to the person sailing the winning boat.—Mary A. Troop, 7 minutes, 1; Wonga, 2 minutes, 2; Jean, 4½ minutes, 3. There were nine other starters. Won by nearly a minute.

Pleasure Boat Sailing Race, all sails allowed, limited to boats that have not been entered in an all-comers' sailing race for the last two years; once round sailing course; first prize £4 10s and two trophies, second prize £1.—Quiz, 15 minutes, 1; Nettie, 6 minutes 2; True Blue, 8 minutes, 3. There were eleven other starters.

CHAMPIONSHIP BOWLING MATCHES.

The championship pennant competitions, under the auspices of the Northern District Bowling Association, were advanced another stage yesterday afternoon when the City Club defeated the Lowlands and the Hamilton Club defeated Waratah. The City Club, with four wins to its credit, is now leading, and Lowlands is second with three wins.

CITY v. LOWLANDS.

The City and Lowlands clubs met on the former's green, the game resulting in a win for the home club by now fewer than 31 points. Appended are the scores:—

No. 1 Rink.—City: Miller, M'Leod, Tillet, Gardner, 41. Lowlands: Kidd, Frazer, Richmond, Clayton, 19.

No. 2 Rink.—City: L. Hingst, Nimmo, Watt, H. Hingst, 25. Lowlands: Field, Gilbert, Chandler, George, 16.

No. 3 Rink.—City: Rodgers, A. Gilbert, Neve, Porter, 25; Lowlands: Mottram, Wells, Hills, Giles, 25.

Totals.—City, 91; Lowlands, 60. Majority for City, 31.

HAMILTON v. WARATAH.

The match between the Hamilton and Waratah clubs was played on the latter's green. The result was a win for the visitors by 19 points. The scores were:—

No. 1 Rink.—Hamilton: Wallace, Gardiner, Bennett, Kinder, 28. Waratah: O'Mara, M'Dougall, Farnell, Silcock, 2?.

No. 2 Rink.—Hamilton: A. Donald, Latham, Jones, Swain, 29. Waratah: Braye, Bull, Greaves, Kilgour, 20.

No. 3 Rink.—Hamilton: Yeomans, Thornton, Swearman, Donald, 22. Waratah: Jacobson, G. Wrightson, T. Wrightson, Harrison, 20.

Totals: Hamilton, 79; Waratah, 60. Majority for Hamilton, 19.

CYCLING CARNIVAL.

A cycling carnival under the auspices of the Newcastle Federal Bicycle Club was held yesterday afternoon; but excited very little interest. The results of the principal event are:—

One Mile Championship of Northern Districts.—R. Shaw, 1; S. King, 2.

One Mile Handicap.—Johnson, 1; Park, 2; M'Lush, 3.

Two Miles Handicap.—Park, 1; Johnston, 2; Bennett, 3.

Half-mile Handicap.—Park, 1; M'Lush, 2.

DEDICATION OF A MEMORIAL WINDOW.

An elaborate stained glass window, recently erected at St. Andrew's Anglican Church, Waratah, in memory of the late Rev. Archibald Shaw, who for upwards of 13 years was incumbent of that parish, was dedicated this morning by the Right Rev. Dr. Stanton, Bishop of Newcastle. There was a very large congregation, the church being well filled in every part. The usual morning service at St. Philip's Anglican Church in the same parish was not held in order to afford an opportunity to the congregations of both churches to unite in taking part in the sacred ceremony. Special and appropriate music for the occasion was rendered under the direction of Messrs. C. W. King and J. Searle. The lessons were read by Mr. W. Moore, and the Bishop was assisted in the service by the Rev. P. S. Luscombe, rector of the parish. The window, which is situated on the eastern side of the church, was an object of general admiration. The central figure is a representation of the Saviour attended on either side by His disciples. The memorial window, which cost about £50, was subscribed for by the parishioners and the congregation. The rector, the Rev. P. Luscombe, addressing the Bishop said: "Rev. Father in God,—It has pleased the congregation worshipping in this church and the parishioners resident in this part of the parish to provide a window as a memorial of their late incumbent, the Rev. Archibald Shaw, and as a token of the affectionate esteem in which his memory is held by all sections of the community. I make the request on behalf of the congregation and the parishioners that you will be pleased to dedicate this memorial for the sacred purpose for which it has been presented."

The Bishop of Newcastle then said: "Dearly beloved in the Lord,—This memorial window suitably expresses your loving remembrance of the late Rev. Archibald Shaw, who through 13 years led your common prayer in this church, and the window which you have provided worthily bespeaks your desire to keep fresh the memory of his ministration so pastorally rendered, and the example of his life so Christianly spent. This memorial will assist you to worship as members of one family, whose fellowship is unbroken by death. Let us join in dedicating this memorial to the service of Almighty God, and pray that by His blessing it may fulfil the hearty desire of His servants who have provided it."

The sermon was subsequently delivered by the Bishop. The proceeds of the collection are to be devoted to the clergy widows and orphans' fund.

THE COAL EXPORT TRADE.

The quantity of coal exported to places beyond the State during the week ended at noon yesterday amounted to 44,306 tons, of which 26,519 tons were shipped to inter-state and New Zealand ports and 16,366 tons to foreign markets, the balance of 1420 tons having been loaded for ships' use. The coal cargoes were distributed as follow:—

Inter-state and New Zealand ports: Victoria, 17,200 tons; South Australia, 2800 tons; Western Australia, 2300 tons; Tasmania, 2135 tons; New Zealand, 2084 tons. Total, 26,519 tons.

Foreign markets: Chili, 11,352 tons; United States of America, 2547 tons; Honolulu, 2467 tons; Total, 16,366 tons.

The ship Fairport arrived yesterday from Sydney to load a full cargo of coal from Seaham colliery for the West Coast of South America, and the barque Hirotha arrived this afternoon from Sydney to load coal for a foreign market. The four-masted barque Tinto Hill sailed yesterday for Tal Tal with 3211 tons of Burwood coal. The barque Charlonus sailed for Valparaiso with 1360 tons of Duckenfield coal, and the steamer Manapouri left for Suva, via Sydney, with 960 tons of coal. The Prinz Valdemar sailed to-day for Tal Tal with 1967 tons of Waratah coal.

In the inter-state trade the steamer Chillagoe left yesterday for Geelong with 1880 tons, and the steamer Dovedale took her departure for Port Pirie with 2800 tons. The schooner Chittoor sailed to-day for Napier with 310 tons.

THE COAL TRADE CIRCULAR.

The monthly coal trade circular just issued by Mr. R. B. Wallace states that during the four weeks the collieries have been kept fairly well at work, and with the tonnage now listed to arrive to load prospects of business for the next two months are good. There has been little done in chartering, the demand for tonnage to load in any direction being of the slightest. Fixtures continue to be made in England for the West Coast loading, but beyond this no freights are being quoted.

The ship Cromdale arrived yesterday from Sydney to discharge part of her original cargo of merchandise from London. She will return to Sydney to load a cargo of wheat for the United Kingdom and the Continent.

Mr. Byrne, late principal of the Wallsend Superior Public School, who has been promoted to the position of inspector of schools, was entertained by the residents of Wallsend at the local School of Arts last night on the eve of departure from the district, and was presented with a handsome illuminated address, accompanied by a valuable gold watch suitably inscribed.

A remarkable case of ptomaine poisoning, supposed to be from eating potted ham, occurred in the city yesterday. The patient has recovered.

The Bishop of Newcastle, the Right Rev. Dr. Stanton, preached to a large congregation at St. Luke's, Wallsend, this evening.

Friday.

The steamer Australasian arrived to-day from Sydney to load a cargo of frozen meat, tallow, copper, and wool for London.

At the City Police Court to-day John Jones, 27, a harnessmaker, was committed for trial at the March sittings of the Quarter Sessions on a charge of having, at Hamilton, stolen a mare, buggy, and set of harness, valued at £13, the property of William Rees Alexander. Bail was refused.

The annual gathering of the Anglican Sunday School Union was held at the Pro-Cathedral on Wednesday, and was attended by 190 teachers, representing the 14 schools affiliated with the union. The proceedings commenced with a short service, the preacher being Bishop Stretch, D.D., Dean of Newcastle. A tea meeting followed, after which the annual business of the meeting was held in the schoolroom, under the presidency of the Bishop of Newcastle, Dr. Stanton. The annual report stated that there were 250 teachers on the roll, or an increase for the year of 17. The number of scholars in the schools connected with the union had increased by 196. The report was adopted, and other business transacted.

The weekly smelting returns of the Sulphide Corporation at Cockle Creek are as follow:—Ore treated, 698 tons, producing a quantity of bullion and matte containing 8150oz. gold, 13,007oz. silver, 298 tons lead, and 10 tons copper.

The Newcastle branch of the United Licensed Victuallers' Association, which embraces almost the whole of the publicans of the Northern district, has resolved, with but one dissentient, to advance the prices of colonial bottled beers.

THE BERRY SHOW.

SECOND DAY.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

BERRY, Friday.

The show was continued to-day in cool, dull weather. There was a large attendance. Special trains brought visitors from along the coast. The displays of non-competitive exhibits were very attractive. Dwyer's buggies and sulky showed superior work, and in the pavilion James Wilson and Co. exhibited universal horse and cattle medicines.

Mr. H. D. Morton was again very successful in the horse classes, especially in the jumping contests, taking first, second, and third in champion hunters and several other prizes.

At lunch the president presided, and proposed the toast of "The Patron of the Society, Dr. John Hay." He referred to the excellent service rendered to the dairying industry by Dr. Hay, who had established great breeding herds. His latest enterprise in breeding shorthorns had already proved very successful, one of the young bulls having been the champion at several shows this year.

Dr. Hay, in replying, said the first patron of the society (the late Mr. Berry) had rendered immense service to rural industries, and he (Dr. Hay) had decided to follow in his footsteps. This he would endeavour always to do in respect to the memory of Mr. Berry and in recognition of his own duty to the State. Additional awards:—

Saddlery, Harness, and Stockwhips: T. Jones, all the prizes.

Fruits: W. East was very successful.

Pictures: Maud Russell and Miss Holbrook won in oils; Mrs. C. W. Osborne and Miss J. Downells in watercolours; Miss L. Wilson, pen-and-ink sketch; and Miss Holbrook in drawing and painting on satin. Pupils of the Berry Public School won 23 prizes.

Blood stallion: M. J. Hindmarsh. Mare without foal: Martin Brothers, 1; T. Britton, 2. Mare with foal at foot: H. Johnston, 1; J. Maroney, 2. Two-year-old colt or gelding: J. Maroney, 1; Connors Brothers, 2. Two-year-old filly: C. Leary, 1; Allen, 2. Yearling colt or gelding: H. Bourne, 1; Maroney, 2. Yearling filly: P. Ryan, 1; J. Maroney 2. Coaching mare without foal: W. J. Johnson, 1; J. Nelson, 2. Mare with foal at foot: H. Johnson, 1 and 2. Two-year-old colt: J. Gallagher. Filly: S. Reynolds, 1; T. Bergin, 2. Yearling colt: J. Boyd. Filly: J. Nelson, 1; Bailey Brothers, 2. Draught mare without foal: J. M'Leod, 1 and 2. Mare with foal at foot: Johnson, 1; R. A. Gall, 2. Colt: C. Fraser, 1; J. T. Quilkey, 2. Filly: H. Kermode, 1; W. Anderson, 2. Yearling colt: R. A. Gall. Filly: H. Kennedy, 1; H. O'Brien, 2. Spring cart: F. Bankin, 1; T. Daly, 2. Trotter in harness: C. Irwin. Family buggy horse; H. D. Morton, 1; A. Hay, 2. Maiden hunter: D. Daly, 1; J. J. Garvin, 2; J. Dooley, 3. Pair buggy horses: Morton, 1; A. Hay, 2. Fourteen-stone hack: Morton, 1; Tarlinton and Gilbert, 2. Maiden high jumper: Tarlinton and Gilbert's Rosette, 1; J. J. Garvin's Sundown, 2; W. T. Nixon, 3.

Butter.—Champion, Woodstock Dairy Company.

Cow test: D. Hyam, 1. Active farm horse: Gerrard Armstrong, 1. Dairymen's turnout, horse, harness, cart and cans: Gerrard Armstrong, 1; R. Gall, 2. Best turnout, vehicle, horse, and harness, driven by wife or daughter of a South Coast farmer: Mrs. W. Jennings, 1. Champion hunter's contest: Morton's Desmond, 1; Morton's Demos, 2; Morton's Dick, 3. Hunting contest by amateur riders: Morton's Demos, 1; J. J. Garvan's Young Highlander, 2; Tarlinton's and Gilbert's Rosette, 3. The first and second were equal in the jumping points (70). Demos won on appearance. Champion high jump: Morton's Desmond (5ft. 8in.), 1; Young Highlander, 2; Tarlinton and Gilbert's Skylark, 3.

Light buggy horse: H. D. Morton, 1 and 2. Hackney, 14st: H. D. Morton's Desmond, 1; C. M'Glinchey, 2. Plough horses: R. Gall, 1; R. C. Johnston, 2. Family buggy horse: T. Harris, 1; Jas. Walker, 2. Hackney, 10st, bred and owned by dairyman: M'Gee Brothers, 1. Lady's hackney: C. M'Glinchy, 1; A. Hay, 2. Lady rider: Mrs. Stace and Mrs. Tory, equal. Hackney, 10st, open class: C. M'Glinchey, 1; Dr. Dawson, 2. Pony jumping, 13 hands: Jas. Walker, 1; W. R. Cook, 2. Girl rider: M. Thorburn, 1; Eva Wood and Alice Woods divide.

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

An address was given last night by Mr. C. Kollerstrom at the Theosophical Hall, Margaret-street, Wynyard-square, on "Evolution." Mr. Kollerstrom compared the theories of heredity and reincarnation, and while accepting the partial truth of the former claimed its insufficiency to meet the demands of reason and justice.

CANADA AND AUSTRALIA.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The "Herald" of Friday contains the report of an interview with the Premier (Hon. Mr. See) re preferential trade. Evidently his statements have been misread, as they have given rise to two misconceptions—first, that Canada's interest in this question has arisen because of the Australian tariff; and secondly, so long as the market of New South Wales was open to Canada under its freetrade policy Canada gave no reciprocal advantages. Both statements are wrong. Canada's interest in preferential trade within the Empire not only antedates the existence of the Australian tariff, but the time when the federation of Australia was even a pleasant dream. In 1897 Canada, tired of waiting for the rest of the Empire to move, passed a tariff in which the principle was recognised, and immediate preference was given to British goods. Under that tariff the productions of New South Wales were admitted at two-thirds of the ordinary duty. Canada was the only country so recognising the policy of New South Wales. Concessions had been granted to special Australian products long before this. Canada makes propositions to Australia now because it is only now that there is an Australia to receive and consider them.

I am, &c., J. S. LARKE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The Hon. John See, the State Premier of New South Wales, is reported to have said, "It is strange that Canada never thought of this question of reciprocity before. Whilst our ports were open, and other countries could pour their goods here without hindrance, no one ever talked to us about reciprocity."

I have always been under the impression that Canada did extend certain trade privileges to New South Wales. On referring to the November issue of "Industrial Canada" (page 142) Mr. M'Naught, a prominent member of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association, in moving a resolution in the direction of reciprocal preferential trade between Canada and every part of the British Empire, is reported as follows:—"Canada has been giving to the colony of New South Wales a concession of tariff not given to any other part of Australia. Now that the colonies have federated this is an anomaly that must be corrected right away. The time is opportune, therefore, for our Government to say to Australia: We are prepared to enter into preferential trade with you if you are."

It thus appears that Canada did recognise the free-trade principles of New South Wales as she recognised those of the mother country by conceding the same preferential reduction of 33⅓ per cent. in Customs duties over the tariff rates charged on importations from countries or colonies with highly protective tariffs.

If the State Premier will have the official correspondence of the Canadian Government with the New South Wales Government brought to light he will see that he has done Canada an injustice by stating that the latter had made no advances in the way of reciprocal trade.

I am, &c., D. H. R.

February 8.

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MAJOR-GENERAL HUTTON IN SYDNEY.

INSPECTION OF THE HARBOUR DEFENCES.

A HIGHLY SATISFACTORY STATE OF AFFAIRS.

SECRET OF A SOLDIER'S SUCCESS.

Major-General Hutton and his staff were astir early on Saturday, the programme they had arranged being one that augured a long and busy day. And so it proved to be. The General, accompanied by Lieutenant-Colonel J. J. Byron, Major Baynes, O.C.A., Major Owen, S.O.E.S., Captain Kyngdon, R.A.A., Captain Thorpe, I. of O.M., Captain Dangar, R.A.A., A.D.C., and Lieutenant Christian, A.D.C., boarded the steamer Miner and proceeded to Chowder Bay, where the General made a close inspection of all the gear, apparatus, and stores connected with the Submarine Mining Department. The party was shown over the premises by Major J. H. Lee, the officer commanding this branch of our local forces. Subsequently the General proceeded to Middle Head and George's Head, where he was received by Major Savage, the officer commanding No. 3 Company of the R.A.A., and by Captain Lamb and Lieutenant Pinchen. At South Head the inspecting party was met by Captain Sandford, commanding No. 2 Company, R.A.A., and by Lieutenant Bulmer, and taken round all the forts and batteries.

The inspection was purely private, and no civilians were allowed to enter the fortifications. Later on, however, General Hutton made the following remarks as to the results of his inspection:—

"I had extreme satisfaction in going round all the batteries at Middle Head, George's Head, and South Head. I found everything in excellent order, and plenty of evidence that much progress had been made since I left here in 1896. It must be very satisfactory both to General French and Colonel Smith, who has been lately commanding the Artillery, to leave everything in such an entirely efficient condition.

"I was particularly struck with the comforts which the men enjoy, and it was very evident that the officers had taken an infinity of pains and trouble to look well after the men's interests. It was all very different from what I found when I arrived here in 1893, and I am sure the change for the better must be equally gratifying to all concerned."

THE RANK OF OUR GENERAL OFFICER.

There seems to be a general impression in military circles that Major-General Sir Edward Hutton will be promoted to the rank of Lieutenant-General at a very early date, and it is also contended in some quarters that he should be given the title of "Commander-in-Chief," which is bestowed upon the officers commanding the troops stationed in the Bengal, Bombay, and Madras presidencies in India.

SECOND INFANTRY REGIMENT—MESS DINNER.

On Saturday night Colonel Waddell and the officers of the Second Infantry Regiment entertained Major-General Sir Edward Hutton at dinner, at Needs's rooms, Liverpool-street. There was a full attendance of officers, including those from the country corps of the regiment. Colonel Waddell presided. Brigadier-General Finn (the State Commandant) and the Hon. John See, M.L.A. (Premier), were also present as guests.

After loyal toasts Colonel Waddell proposed the health of Sir Edward Hutton in a felicitous speech, welcoming the Lieutenant-General on behalf of the officers of the regiment back to the State as the Commandant of the federal military forces. The toast was received enthusiastically.

Sir Edward Hutton, in responding, expressed the sincere pleasure he felt at meeting his old comrades of the Second Regiment. He said that he had always taken a special interest in the regiment, and was pleased to mark its progress. He referred in terms of praise to the work done by officers and men of the regiment whom he had met in the South African campaign, and felt sure that the arduous experiences they had met with on active service would be turned to useful account when they renewed their connection with the regiment. The practical warfare they had learned would soon be imparted to the regiment, and increased efficiency would no doubt be the result.

"The Health of the State Premier" was proposed by Sir Edward Hutton, and responded to by the Hon. John See, who stated that he had always taken considerable interest in military matters, and was very pleased to note the progress of the regiment.

Major Mullarkey proposed "The Health of the State Commandant, Brigadier-General Finn," and that officer cordially responded.

The hall was tastefully decorated, and the tables presented a gay appearance. The band of the 2nd Regiment, under Bandmaster Tilley, discoursed suitable selections at intervals.

VISIT TO THE COMMERCIAL TRAVELLERS' CLUB.

SPEECH BY THE GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING.

General Hutton has always taken a deep interest in matters affecting the progress of commerce, which he holds to be closely linked with those in which men of his own profession are concerned, inasmuch that the soldier's aid is not infrequently called for in order that commerce may prosper and friendly trade relations, which are perhaps the most solid of all bases for lasting peace, be established. One of General Hutton's last acts when leaving Australia for his new command in Canada, now some six years ago, was to visit the Commercial Travellers' Club, where he delivered an address which will long be remembered by those who were privileged to hear it.

On Saturday evening General Hutton was again the guest of the club. It had been arranged that he should arrive at the club rooms at 10 p.m., but it was nearly an hour later before he got there. He was accompanied by Captain Dangar, A.D.C., and was received by the president, Mr. A. R. Cooke, the secretary (Mr. H. T. Everett), and the vice-presidents (Messrs. W. J. Douglass and W. I. Hudson). As the General entered the hall, which had been very tastefully decorated with flags, bannerettes, ferns, and other greenery in honour of the occasion, he was greeted with hearty cheers, whilst Mr. J. J. Naughton, the association's honorary pianist, played "See the Conquering Hero Comes." Walking down the room, shaking hands with old friends who gathered round him, the General at length got to the farther end, where a table had been placed, and then in loud, cheery, ringing tones he begged to be forgiven for his late coming on the ground that he could not tear himself away from the comrades in arms with whom he had dined.

The apology was as freely accepted as it was frankly tendered, for it was received with renewed cheering.

The president (Mr. A. R. Cooke) then proposed General Hutton's health. In doing so he said the members of the association had met that evening to do honour to a gentleman who was one of the greatest friends the commercial travellers in New South Wales had ever had, and to give him a hearty welcome to their rooms on his return to these shores. (Applause.) Many of those present would remember that Major-General Hutton attended a smoke concert in that room shortly before his departure from Australia, on which occasion he gave members present some sound logical advice which he had received from his mother, and it was "never say you wouldn't, never say you couldn't, nor you don't know how." (Hear, hear.) Since their guest had been away he had seen much service, and they all desired to congratulate him upon the tasks he had accomplished, and the distinctions he had attained, and particularly upon the manner in which he had conducted that portion of the campaign in South Africa which fell to his hands. When the news came of the relief of Mafeking, and when their hearts were swelling with feelings of pride in the Empire, the association sent to General Hutton a congratulatory cablegram, as he was the only field general they knew at the front, and who was also a friend of New South Wales. (Hear, hear.) It was with feelings of pleasure they had read General Hutton's remarks the other day in connection with the question of military discipline, for it was felt by everyone that they also applied with equal force to commercial life, where discipline was just as essential as it was in the field of battle. They hoped that during his sojourn here General Hutton's life would be as pleasurable to him as they were sure it would be beneficial to this State, and also to the Commonwealth. He gave "The Health and Prosperity of Major-General Sir Edward Hutton."

The toast was supported by Mr. W. J. Douglass, and most enthusiastically honoured, and "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow" was heartily sung.

Sir Edward, in responding, said it had been with the greatest pleasure that he had accepted the kind invitation of the association to be present with them that evening, as there was no body in Australia in general, and in New South Wales in particular, that he had a more friendly regard for than the Commercial Travellers' Association. Neither Lady Hutton nor he would ever forget the kindly way they were treated when they were last in New South Wales, nor yet the sympathetic, kindly, and affectionate character of the farewell that was extended to them on February 25, 1896. Their chairman had very nearly embarrassed him by saying when they met, "General, I don't suppose you remember me?" However, he did remember Mr. Cooke, and he would confess that if he had not remembered him he would not like to have been reminded of his forgetfulness. (Hear, hear, and laughter.) During the campaign he had just gone through, and which he hoped was now drawing to a close, he received the telegram the chairman had referred to from the association—he did not know how it came across the country, but probably it was "helioed"—congratulating him and the military force he commanded. It came as a reminder not only to him, but to the whole of the troops in South Africa that they were not forgotten. (Hear, hear.) It was that kind of thing that brought out the kindliest of feelings and welded men's hearts together in a strong bond of common sympathy and union. The telegram and also that received from the Governor was read out to the men. (Applause.) He was sorry to observe the absence of two old friends from that gathering—Messrs. R. Bennetts and J. F. Flockhart—and he desired to express his sincere regret at the death of his old friend, Mr. P. J. Holdsworth, and his deep sympathy with the relatives who mourned his loss. That gentleman wrote a farewell poem, and the kindly manner in which he alluded to Lady Hutton and himself (General Hutton) had deeply touched them both. That poem they still retained amongst their scrapbook treasures. (Hear, hear.) He only mentioned these things to show that when he was commanding their own troops in South Africa remembrances of Australia and Australians never faded from his mind, and the bond of sympathy was always existent. (Cheers.) The chairman had reminded him of a statement he had made when last he was honoured by being present in the room. But the chairman had misquoted him to some extent, for it was not his mother who had given the advice referred to. It was a friend of his, a man of remarkable character, who had risen to a high position, but who was then a quartermaster in the Royal Dragoons who said when the reason for his success was asked, "I never said I couldn't, I never said I wouldn't, and I never said I didn't know 'ow." (Cheers and laughter.) He (General Hutton) also wished to remind members of the association of another remark he made on that occasion when he last addressed them. He then said that Tommy Atkins, with his bayonet, opened the commercial oyster, and afterwards the commercial traveller conveyed it to the market. When he left Australia, in 1896, no one ever dreamed that her people would take part in a campaign such as that which was still being carried on in South Africa. But they did, and, in addition, the people of New South Wales had assisted to open the commercial oyster in China, a very important matter, which was pregnant with very great results to Australia and to the Empire. (Applause.) What were they proposing to do when they taught John Chinaman to wear wool instead of cotton? (Hear, hear.) If they taught 400,000,000 of Chinese to wear woollen garments, instead of padding themselves with cotton, they would open up an enormous market for Australian products. (Prolonged cheering.) And what would be the result of the opening of the Panama Canal? That also would bring the increased trade to this fair land. (Cheers.) This brought him to the kind congratulations which had been uttered by the chairman. He could not say how careful he had tried to be in setting about the great task upon which he and his comrades were embarked. Commercial interests must ever, to a large extent, depend upon the security of the commercial life, and if Tommy Atkins and his bayonet opened the oyster, it was also true that Tommy Atkins must defend it. (Cheers.) He felt certain that the military forces of Australia entirely realised the great responsibilities that were resting upon their shoulders, and the kindly welcome he had received that evening had in his case accentuated that sense of responsibility which he had already felt. (Hear, hear.) It was the very last thing they as soldiers wished to see in this country what had been properly, though perhaps somewhat contemptuously, called "militarism," but shortly they would have something like 15,000 fighting men returning from South Africa, and about 700 had come back from China, making nearly 16,000 in all. It was to be considered that the military force of this country was essentially a citizen one, and that when these men came back having fought for their States and country they would return to their civil avocations, and be absorbed in the civil life of the people. It should be understood that what was required was not the maintenance of a large standing army, but the establishment of an efficient framework upon which, if ever necessary, an army could be built. (Cheers.) By "militarism" he meant the feelings which caused men to act the bully and to desire display, which they all, as Englishmen, hold to be contemptible. (Hear, hear.) As soldiers they intended to work upon those principles and to do their best in the interests of Australia at all times and upon all occasions. He did not mean to give his hearers a homily, but he could not help feeling that when talking to a number of hard and level-headed men of business, it was time thrown away if soldiers indulged in platitudes or "gas." They wanted the business men of the community to back them up. They desired, irrespective of their personal interests or party spirit, to do the best they could for Australia and for the Empire of which Australia was such an important part. (Prolonged applause.)

The General and Captain Dangar then took their departure amidst loud cheering.

LUNCHEON WITH THE CITY COUNCIL.

The Mayor of Sydney has invited Major-General Hutton to lunch with the members of the City Council to-day. The General is, however, pressed for time, consequently the only persons invited are the members of the City Council and staff, the members of the Ministry, Brigadier-General Finn, Lieutenant-Colonel Lyster, and Captain Dangar, A.D.C. to General Hutton.

VISIT TO ORDNANCE STORE.

Major-General Hutton on Friday visited the ordnance store at Circular Quay, and, in company with Brigadier-General Finn, the State Commandant, and Colonel Roberts, C.M.G., A.D.C., Military Secretary, inspected the military stores. In the evening General Hutton was the guest of the officers of the Mounted Rifles Regiment at dinner.

THE REMOUNT SERVICE.

IMPERIAL OFFICERS IN AUSTRALIA.

ARRIVAL OF CAPTAIN PARSONS.

Amongst the returned New South Wales troops who arrived in Sydney by the steamer Oonah on Saturday evening was Captain Parsons, of the Imperial Yeomanry, who is on a visit to New South Wales under orders from the Imperial Government in connection with the Special Remount Service. Captain Parsons is also accompanied by Lieutenant Hopkinson, of the 9th Royal Hussars, also on the same mission.

Captain Parsons stated to a "Herald" reporter that he left England for South Africa in March, 1899, with the Imperial Yeomanry. He was in command of a contingent numbering 800 men between Capetown and Elandsfontein. He also commanded a train through Cape Colony, the Orange Free State, and the Transvaal. From Elandsfontein he was second in command of a small column operating between Zurfontein and Pretoria. He subsequently contracted enteric fever, and after spending five weeks in the hospital at Pretoria was invalided to London. On recovering sufficiently he returned again to South Africa as adjutant with additional Imperial troops and a cargo of horses. At Capetown he was selected as one of four officers to proceed to Australia on special remount service. The captain added that this was a commission that he undertook with great pleasure, as he had in South Africa seen so many of the Australian soldiers, whom he greatly admired for many things, and he was anxious to see more of them. He felt glad at the opportunity thus afforded him. Captain Parsons said he felt bound to say a word in praise of the men with whom he travelled from Capetown to Sydney. They were a fine body of men, and capable of splendid service for their country.

Asked his opinion concerning the work done by the Australians at the front, Captain Parsons said General Babington preferred the colonials if there was any hard work to do. He himself regarded the men sent from Australia and New Zealand as more hardy than the regular "Tommies." They were more used to bush life and roughing it than the regulars; besides, continued Captain Parsons, he found the Australians more intelligent, better in the initiative, and needed less explaining in detail of the general orders. They were also better fighters.

In the present war Captain Parsons said the horses were the key to the whole position. The Boer scouts did not watch the Boer forces, but the enemy's column. It was therefore essential that good horses should be used in the service, as considerable ground had to be gone over in order to catch the enemy.

The blockhouse system, said Captain Parsons, was a "nail in the coffin" of the Boers. Of this fact he was assured by Mulder, who was the head of General Smuts' scouts for two years.

Captain Parsons, in concluding the interview, said the methods of dealing with the volunteer forces in England could be adopted with advantage by the colonial and overseas troops.

THE STATES AND THE WAR OFFICE.

THE THREE PER CENT. COMMISSION.

A statement was recently made by Mr. Peacock, Premier of Victoria, that he had not charged 3 per cent. commission upon any business conducted on behalf of the Imperial Government. Mr. See (State Premier of New South Wales) points out that the letter received from Mr. Chamberlain (which was published some time ago) arranging for 3 per cent. commission being charged was agreed to by the Premier of New South Wales and the other Premiers, and that the general intention of the Premiers is shown by the correspondence which followed. Mr. See says that the total amount charged does not amount to more than £3200, and when it is taken into consideration that New South Wales spent hundreds of thousands of pounds in sending contingents to South Africa it will be recognised that after all the charge is only a trifling one.

Mr. Philp (Premier of Queensland) wrote to Mr. See on November 25, last year, as follows:—"I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd ultimo, forwarding copy of a despatch received from the Colonial Office, intimating that his Majesty's Government agree to a proposal made by your Government to charge a commission of 3 per cent. on advances made in respect of your Imperial Bushmen's Contingent raised for special service in South Africa, and requesting that the other Australian Governments be informed that the principle of this decision extends also to the contingents raised by them on the same basis. With regard to this matter I have to state, for your information, that having ascertained that the course indicated is also being pursued by the Governments of Victoria, South Australia, and Tasmania, this Government have decided to make a similar charge."

Mr. Peacock, Premier of Victoria, on October 28 last year, wrote:—"I have the honour to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter informing me that the Imperial Government agrees to a proposal made by your Government to charge a commission of 3 per cent. in connection with advances on account of the Imperial Bushmen's Contingent raised for service in South Africa at the expense of the Home Government."

ALLEGED SLY GROG SELLING.

RAID BY THE POLICE.

At 11 o'clock on Saturday night a body of police, under the supervision of Senior-constable Mankey and Constable Harding, raided a house in Castlereagh-street which for some time had been regarded with suspicion as a sly-grog shop. The officers succeeded in seizing a quantity of champagne and other liquor. A young woman who was found on the premises was arrested and taken to the Central Police Station, where she was charged with selling two bottles of champagne and one bottle of whisky without being the holder of a license or the servant of a licensee. She will appear before the Water Police Court this morning. Among those who were present at the raid were Senior-sergeant Carberry and Constables Holloway and Evans.

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OUR TONGA LETTER.

NUKUALOFA, Jan. 29.

After three months of exceptionally dry weather, we are in hopes that our drought has at last broken up. On January 5 we had one hour's rain, and on the 19th, in the morning, we had a very fair fall for fully two hours. Since that date we have had frequent heavy showers. Although this welcome rain has come rather late to be of much service to the copra crop, it will considerably help the yam and other food crops throughout this island. Unfortunately the Vavau and Haabai groups have suffered very much more than Tonga, and not only will the crop of copra be very short in both these places, but the food crops also are all but destroyed, especially in the Haabai Group. This is doubly unfortunate, for in both these groups they have suffered the greatest loss in all their crops for two years, and the yams furnished in large quantities for seed from Tonga will be all lost. It is greatly to be feared that Tongatabu will not be able to render the same assistance this year to her sister groups, for she will have as much as she can do to provide for herself.

A return of the rainfall for the last three months of the years 1900 and 1901 shows that, whereas in those months finishing 1900 we had upwards of 38 inches of rain, in the corresponding period of last year we had but 7 inches.

Copra still fetches a high price, owing partly to its scarcity—£11 per ton to the natives.

Outside usual steamers there is no shipping to report.

A murder of a woman and the suicide of her husband, the murderer, occurred here on the 13th instant. The couple had but recently returned here from Samoa. The man (Fusi) was a native of Niua Tobu-tabu, his wife (Kali) a Samoan woman. Jealousy seems to have been the cause of the double crime, which was of a most determined character. The woman was found in the bush with her throat cut from ear to ear; and the man afterwards proceeded to cut his throat.

A few days after the above occurrences three children were poisoned—two fatal cases—through sucking the flowers of the oleander. One of the fatal cases was the young sister of the Queen of Tonga. Her Majesty was terribly distressed over the matter. The child was about 7 years old.

The churches have been busy during the month with their missionary meetings and collections. The Wesleyans held a missionary meeting in the church on Mount Zion on Friday last, and the members and their friends contributed some 700dol., or £140. Surely it is a wonder how these people could come by so much money these extra dull times. Taking the collections altogether, however, in all the churches, there has been a great falling off this year, and no wonder, considering the times.

The ball held by the European residents of Tongatabu, on January 27, 1902, in commemoration of the anniversary of the birthday of the German Emperor was most successful, and the whole of the arrangements, which were in the hands of a committee of six ladies and an equal number of gentlemen, were complete and well carried out, and the hundred guests or so who were present thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The ball, which lasted until 2 a.m., was preceded by a pyrotechnical display, which at all events hugely delighted the Tongans. The toast of the evening was proposed and seconded by the German and English Consuls respectively.

REDWATER IN CATTLE.

The Chief Inspector of Stock has received a progress report from the Government Veterinary Surgeon (Mr. J. D. Stewart, M.R.C.V.S.) in connection with the disease known as "redwater in cattle," investigated by him at Murwillumbah, Tweed River. In the report it is stated that although this disease is of comparatively recent development in the North Coast districts, it has affected the dairy herds of the South Coast for a period of over 30 years. Its chief manifestations are rapid emaciation and the passing of blood coloured urine, that varies in intensity from a faintly-tinted fluid to absolutely pure blood. In very acute cases the affected animals died of anæmia and heart failure, while in the chronic cases they die of gradual exhaustion. Cattle of both sexes and of all ages, after they lead independent lives, are affected. The disease is, however, more commonly seen in cows, as the localities where it has prevailed are chiefly dairying districts.

At Murwillumbah Mr. Stewart had an opportunity of making post-mortem examinations of three typical cases placed at his disposal by various owners. Mr. Stewart is of opinion that this disease is traceable to some vegetation which the cattle eat containing a toxic irritant. It is a significant fact that cattle depastured on broken or unimproved coastal country, especially on rough ridges about the foot of mountains, develop redwater, and as the pastures are improved the disease gradually becomes less prevalent. This has been the experience in the South Coast district, where 30 years ago this disease threatened destruction to the dairying industry in certain localities, while at the present day it is rarely seen. Whether the property of establishing redwater belongs to more than one plant it is difficult to say, but that known as native Indigo (Indigofera Australis, Willd) has certainly fallen under the ban of suspicion, as it is constantly associated with the occurrence of this particular form of redwater in cattle, which has no connection with the several diseases of which blood-coloured urine is recognised as one of the many manifestations. In view of the fact that the Native Indigo plant is suspected of being the cause of the disease, arrangements are being made to carry out the experimental feeding of a cow with this plant.

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENT.

PERTH, Sunday.

In the Assembly on Friday the supplementary estimates were passed. The proposed entrainment allowance of £2000 for the Governor was withdrawn and £1000 substituted and accepted. A proposal to grant Mr. John Davies £1000 was agreed to after discussion. The Public Works Committee Bill and Coal Mines Regulation Bill were adjourned until Wednesday.

DEATH OF MR. S. PURCHASE.

The death took place at Manly, on Saturday, of Mr. Samuel Purchase, a well-known business man of Parramatta. Mr. Purchase, who was 52 years of age at the time of his death, went to Parramatta several years ago, and for some considerable time was in charge of the Somerset Nursery. He took but little part in public life, devoting himself almost entirely to the business with which he was connected.

DEATH OF MR. MARCUS BERNHARDT.

Mr. Marcus Bernhardt, aged 69, a well-known member of the Jewish community, died at his residence, 175 Macquarie-street South, yesterday. Mr. Bernhardt arrived in the State some 46 years ago. In 1867 he became a member of the G.U.O.O., and up till the time of his death he remained associated with that body.

STOCK MOVEMENTS.

DUBBO, Saturday.

The stock passings are as follows:—160 sheep from Dubbo to Flemington, Tink owner. The following are truckings for the week:—Dubbo, 22 trucks of sheep, 4 trucks of cattle; Narromine, 1 truck of sheep; Trangie, 14 trucks of sheep; Warren, 14 trucks of sheep, 1 truck of cattle; Nyngan, 6 trucks of sheep, 1 truck of cattle; Mullengudgery, 3 trucks of sheep; Brewarrina, 32 trucks of sheep, 21 trucks of cattle; Bourke, 45 trucks of cattle.

THE BUSH FIRE AT BELMORE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I wish to draw attention through your columns to a continual danger in the more sparsely settled municipalities of the metropolitan area. I refer to the large unoccupied areas of ground that, having been denuded of timber, are allowed to become covered with a dense scrub, which in dry weather becomes highly inflammable, and when a fire is set going in one of these blocks, accompanied with a hot, dry, westerly, the result is very disastrous. The fire at Belmore on Thursday commenced in a patch of scrub land, and crossing into one of these blocks, known locally as "no man's land," and tearing through this and adjoining like blocks, gained such proportions that the whole of one side of Canterbury-road, as far as Bexley, was ravaged by it, resulting in great loss of property. Had it been clean grass land near where it started the fire-fighters would have been able to cope with it, but as it was it gained such frightful proportions that it was like trying to drive back the sea. Surely a bylaw could be passed declaring this scrub to be a nuisance, and compelling owners to keep their ground clean. I should like to mention the heroic way in which the men worked to save property, a good proportion of which was insured, in some cases sacrificing their own. The associated insurance companies might see to this.

I am, &c.,

Belmore, February 7. A SUFFERER.

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FREE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF EASTERN AUSTRALIA.

ANNUAL SYNOD.

The annual synod of the Free Presbyterian Church of Eastern Australia was opened on Friday night at St. George's Church, Castlereagh-street, by a service conducted by the Rev. D. M'Innes (Maclean). At the conclusion of the service the Rev. S. P. Stewart moved and the Rev. W. Archibald seconded the appointment of the Rev. W. MacDonald to the pastorate of St. George's Church. The election of the Rev. W. MacDonald was confirmed by the synod, and the same clergyman was then elected Moderator of the Free Presbyterian Church of Eastern Australia.

The newly elected Moderator delivered his inaugural address, outlining a scheme for expansion of the Church, and expressing the hope that all the Church adherents would make a strong and earnest effort to advance the work of the Master in the Church.

The synod met for devotional exercises on Saturday morning, after which formal business was dealt with.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

(Continued from Page 6.)

Custom-house.—Entered outward: February 8, Stettin, s., Captain Neidermeyer, for Singapore; Zealandia, s., Captain Hggrave, for Auckland.

This morning the Norwegian steamer Torgauten will berth at Miller's Wharf to discharge her lumber cargo from Fredrickstad.

The ship Dunreggan berthed at Darling Island on Saturday morning to load wheat for Europe.

On Saturday evening the barque Hirotha left for Newcastle, where she loads for Auckland.

The troopship Manchester Merchant will move from the stream this morning and berth at Cowper Wharf.

The R.M.S. Arcadia will come from the stream and berth at the P. and O. Wharf early this morning.

The four-masted barque Province, now at Melbourne, is to proceed to Newcastle and load for a port not disclosed.

The ship Hougomont, now 100 days out from Liverpool to Sydney, has been fixed to load Pacific-Co-operative coal at Newcastle for San Francisco. The Sydney agents for the vessel are Messrs. Dalton Brothers.

Messrs. Nelson and Robertson have cable advice of the arrival at Dunedin of the barque Mary Moore on Thursday last from the Bluff.

Successful trials at sea have been passed by the steamer Thespis, built by Raylton, Dixon, and Co., Middlesbrough, to the order of Lamport and Holt, of Liverpool. The vessel takes the British Corporation highest class, on the two-deck rule. Her dimensions are 395ft. by 50ft. by 29ft. 4in., with a deadweight carrying capacity of about 6450 tons on a light draught.

Sales of shipping since last returns include the steamers Akranes and Exchange to English purchasers at satisfactory figures. Portuguese have secured the iron barque Samarkand, 1124 tons register, built in 1877, for £5000. The steel ship Glenholm, 1894 tons register, is mentioned as having passed to a Liverpool firm. The Italian barque Dunblane, recently mentioned, went to Australian owners for £4000.

It is proposed to build three gigantic "ocean greyhounds," with a length each of 825ft., for service between Canada and the United Kingdom. The largest vessels running to Canadian ports at present only slightly exceed 10,000 tons. The adoption of the mammoth steamers now mooted is only a matter of time, and their 25,000 tons gross will revolutionise ideas of docking and maritime risks.

A call at Palmerston Island was made by the American ship Henry Villard on her voyage from San Francisco to Melbourne, and Captain Shanks supplied the natives with some medical comforts. The stay of the ship there was of the briefest nature. She made a good passage of 54 days, and had fair weather throughout.

THE SHIP NELSON.

A SENSATIONAL EXPERIENCE.

Interesting details are to hand by the mail of a narrow escape which the British ship Nelson had from disaster off Astoria. It was currently reported there, in fact, that the vessel had foundered with all hands during a heavy gale on the night of December 3, about 20 miles off Gray's Harbour. Luckily, however, this proved to be untrue, and the ship was finally towed to Seattle in a considerably damaged condition, but without loss of life. In a letter just received from Mr. William Strachan, chief officer of the vessel, a graphic account of her experiences is supplied. The Nelson cleared the harbour at Astoria on November 25, with a cargo of grain for Europe. Two days later she encountered a heavy storm, with high seas, in which the cargo shifted. Upon the weather moderating the crew managed to trim the ship again, but scarcely had this been accomplished when she fell in with a terrific gale, which threw her on her beam ends. The lower topsail sheets were cut away in order to save the vessel. She was lying over at such an acute angle that her lee rail was completely submerged, the water being half way over the hatches. Four of the boats had meanwhile been smashed, and the cabin and forecastle gutted. The situation was now so critical that Captain Perram decided on getting back to Astoria, and with great difficulty the vessel was navigated to the mouth of the Columbia River. There was, however, a dangerous sea running on the bar, and the ship again stood out to sea. Tug-boats were busy taking vessels in ballast into the harbour, but it was not until four more days had passed that steamboat aid came to the Nelson. The tugs, however, could do nothing with her owing to the weather, the sea still running mountains high, whilst the velocity of the wind was about 100 miles an hour. After repeated failures a tug succeeded in getting hold of the ship, with the object of towing her away from the land. "Had she let go of us," says the writer, "our ship would have gone ashore in less than two hours, and all hands would have been lost." When the vessel had got a safe offing, she was again left down on her side, and in the inky darkness the tow-rope broke. Throughout the night the Nelson lay in the seas, almost helpless, but next day the tug again took her in tow and took her to Seattle without further misadventure. In the "Oregonian" published on December 5, the Nelson was reported as having probably foundered. Upon her arrival at Seattle it was found a number of beams and stanchions in the hold had been broken, and the discharge of cargo was commenced. Captain Perram expected that the vessel would be detained there till the middle of January. The Nelson is well-known in Australia and New Zealand.

SHALE VESSELS.

On Saturday the Italian ship Warrior cleared at the Customs for Genoa with 2980 tons of shale shipped by the Australian Kerosene Oil and Mineral Company. The same company is also loading the Italian barque Paolo Madre for Genoa, that vessel and the ship Western Monarch both having berthed at Pyrmont on Saturday. The latter ship is being loaded for Rotterdam on behalf of Messrs. Dalgety and Co., Limited, who expect to get her away about the end of the month. The barque Valdivia is being loaded for Valparaiso by Messrs. Gibbs, Bright, and Co., who also have the Italian barque Savoia in port to load for Genoa.

THE MENELAUS.

Messrs. Gilchrist, Watt, and Sanderson, Limited, are in receipt of a cable advising the arrival of this steamer at Dunkirk on 2nd instant, after a passage of 48 days from Adelaide.

THE NORTH GERMAN LLOYD LINE.

The Prinz Regent Luitpold is due in Genoa, en route from Sydney to Bremen.

The Friedrich der Grosse is due in Colombo, en route from Sydney to Bremen, on the 10th instant.

The Bremen is in Adelaide, en route from Bremen to Sydney.

The Barbarossa is due in Aden, en route from Bremen to Sydney, on the 5th instant.

The Konigin Luise left Bremerhaven for Sydney, via ports, on the 5th instant.

The Stettin arrived at Sydney on Saturday from Singapore, via ports.

The Pakmam left Singapore on February 2 for Sydney via ports.

THE CANADIAN-AUSTRALIAN LINE.

The Union Steam Ship Company of New Zealand, Limited, managing agents of the Canadian-Australian Royal Mail line, advise the movements of the steamers as follows:—

The R.M.S. Moana left Vancouver last Friday for Sydney via Honolulu and Brisbane, and is due here on March 5.

The R.M.S. Aorangi is now coaling, and sails on Monday, February 24, for Vancouver, via Brisbane, Fiji, and Honolulu.

The R.M.S. Miowera is due at Honolulu on Wednesday, 12th instant, and at Vancouver on the 20th instant, leaving again on March 7 for Honolulu, Fiji, Brisbane, and Sydney, where she is due to arrive on April 1.

MESSRS. HUDDART PARKER AND CO.'S LINE.

The Anglian, at Melbourne, left Sydney (Saturday, 8th) for West, sailing from Adelaide Tuesday next, 11th.

The Barwon left Melbourne for Sydney and Newcastle Saturday, 8th.

The Burrumbeet left Sydney for Melbourne Friday, 7th, and arrived at Melbourne Sunday, 9th.

Elingamite left Lyttelton for Dunedin Saturday, leaves Dunedin returning Tuesday, 11th; due back in Sydney, Saturday, 22nd instant; sails hence again for New Zealand, Wednesday, 26th instant.

The Coma, at Adelaide, leaves for Melbourne, to-day, leaves Melbourne for Sydney and Newcastle, Saturday, 15th instant.

The Moorabool, at Adelaide, leaves for Edithburg Monday, 10th, and Edithburg for Sydney and Newcastle on Tuesday next, 11th instant.

The Nemesis left Sydney for West last Friday, leaves Melbourne on Tuesday, 11th, and Adelaide on Friday, 14th.

The Tambo arrived from Hobart Friday last, and sails hence for Hobart again to-day (Monday).

The Westralia left Wellington for Sydney Saturday, due here on Wednesday, 12th, Newcastle on Thursday, 13th, sails hence for New Zealand again, via Wellington, on Saturday, 15th.

The Zealandia arrived from Auckland at 4 p.m. Friday, due Newcastle on Monday, 10th, sails hence for New Zealand again, via Auckland, on Wednesday next, 12th.

BALMAIN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

This council met on February 4. Present—The Mayor (Alderman A. M. Milne in the chair); also Aldermen R. Campbell, H. Mills, G. C. Murdoch, A. G. Cranny, W. J. Laws, M. H. Cohen, J. J. Wheeler, R. Cox, H. B. Swan, and E. J. Bowen. Amongst the correspondence was a communication from the lessee of the Elkington Park Baths, asking permission of the council to open the baths on Sunday afternoons. It was decided to reply that the agreement with the council must be adhered to. The Mayor was appointed to represent the council on a deputation of representatives from the Leichhardt, Annandale, and Balmain councils to the Commissioners for Railways, to urge the necessity of making an overlapping section on the Balmain tramline, between Johnston-street, Annandale, and Catherine-street (at Flood's Hotel); also the advisability of all trams to and from the city stopping at the corner of Annandale-street. A letter was received from the Principal Under-Secretary stating that the bylaw passed by the council relating to expectorating on the footpaths of the borough had been confirmed and published in the "Gazette." Two letters were received from the Harbour Trust Commissioners stating that they were prepared to grant the council a lease of an area of land at the foot of Water-street and Stephen-street for a period of three years at an annual rental of £2 and £5 respectively. It was decided to make application for the leases as set forth. A communication was received from Mr. W. H. Wilks, M.P., enclosing a communication from the secretary of the Federal Postmaster-General's Department, with reference to a resolution forwarded by the council urging the necessity of dispensing with the use of postage and duty stamps in carrying out all public business in connection with the council. It was stated that it was impossible to comply with the request, so far as it related to the use or disuse of postage stamps in carrying on the public business of the council, as section 32 of the Post and Telegraph Act of 1901 provided as follows:—"Except in cases where the pre-payment of postage is allowed to be made in money, pre-payment of postage can be effected only by means of postage stamps valid in the Commonwealth, for the correspondence of private individuals." The finance committee recommended for payment accounts totalling £871 0s 8d. The works committee reported having since the previous meeting certified to accounts amounting to £458 19s 2d. The inspector of nuisances reported that the whole of the dairies and milkvendors' premises had recently been inspected, and with the exception of four were found to be in a very satisfactory sanitary condition. Twelve cases of infectious diseases (eight typhoid and four diphtheria) had been registered for the fortnight. The whole of the reports were adopted. Alderman Wheeler referred to the necessity of more police protection in the borough, and moved that a letter should be written to the Inspector-General to that effect. The resolution was carried.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

Saturday Evening.

Very little was done on the Stock Exchange to-day, the only business in investment stocks reported being in Australian Gaslight at 17½, the last quotation. The week's transactions have been more numerous than usual, the tone of the market having been buoyant, though but few alterations in prices have occurred. Commercial Bank of Sydney have risen ¼. Australian Mutual Fire Insurance 1s, Broken Hill Water Supply 1s, and Silverton Tram 5s 6d. Closing quotations were as follow:—

Company.	Capital paid up.	Amount of Shares.	Shares paid up.	Last Div. per annum.	Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.	Yield to Investor.
N.S.W. STOCK &c.	£	£	£	p.c.				p.c.
N.S.W. F. S., 1887	549,353	...	...	4	105½	105	...	3¾
In. Act, 1873	530,183	...	...	4	104½	105	...	3¾
Ditto 3 p.c.		...	...	3	94	...	...	[illegible]
Ditto, 1924-25		...	...	3	...	...	...	
In T. Bills	1,000,000	...	...	3½	100	99½	...	3½
In Deb. 1902	227,300	...	...	5	100½	100	...	
In Deb. 1907		...	...		100	...	...	
G.D., 1913		...	...	4	103	...	...	3¾
Ditto 3½ p.c.		...	...		...	...	99¼	
S.I.D., 1919	300,000	...	...	4	107½	...	...	
Ditto, 1914	...	...	...		102	...	...	3½
Col. Sugar D., 1914	...	...	...	5	111	107	...	
City of Sydney 4 p.c., 1926	...	...	...		102½	103	...	3¾
BANKS.								
Aust. J.S.	1,168,041	10	7½	...	...	...	1/	
Australasia	1,600,000	40	40	10	...	80	...	
City	240,000	10	8	4	94/	93/	94/	6¾
New Issue	160,000	10	8	4	93/	...	93/	
Commercial of Australia fully paid	1,192,440	6	6	...	13 11	4 6	...	
Ditto pref.	2,117,000	10	10	3	6	5	...	
Commerc. of Sydney	1,000,000	25	12½	10	31¾	31½	31¾	
N. of Aus.	[illegible]	8	5½	[illegible]	71	70	...	
Ditto pref.	303,780	8	10	5	...	11	...	4½
N. S. Wales	2,000,000	20	20	10	45¼	45½	45¾	4¼
New Zealand	500,000				37 6	30	...	
N. Q'nsland	100,000	7	2	2½	13	...	15	7½
Q'land Nat.	412,941							
Royal of Q.	387,[illegible]	3	[illegible]		46 6	55/	...	
Union	1,500,000	75	25	8	40½	40	40½	5
DEPOSITS.								
A.J.S. Bk.—Class A	...			3	13 3	13 8	13 4½	4
Class B				3	13/	13/	13 1½	4½
Perm. Inv.	788,033			3½	9 9	...	9 6	7
Com. of Aus. A ser., 1898	965,492			3½	18 3	18/	...	
Ditto assets	5,400,000			3	15 6	12/	15 9	3¾
E.S.A. Inscr. pref.	880,419			3	12 10½	12 10½	13 4½	4½
Do def.	867,[illegible]			4½	17 1½	17 1½	17 6	5¾
Ditto Deb.	983,547			4	17 9	17 9	18/	4½
Ditto Ter.	198,505			4	20 3	19 9	...	
Q. National	...			3½	12 6	10 6	11 6	5¾
STEAM.								
Balmain N. Ferry	18,490	1	1	10	36 6	35/	40/	5½
Illawarra	58,006	5	3½	8½	5½	5	5¼	4¾
Newcastle	100,000	1	1	8	18/	17 9	18	4¾
North Coast	131,250	1 17 6		8	23 6	23 6	...	6¼
Syd. Ferries	120,000	1	1	7	35/	35	34	4½
F. Jackson	25,000	30	25/	5	26/	25 6	26 6	
Ditto, Co-op.	5,745		1	2½	17/	...	...	
How. Smith, ordinary	...		20	...	...	...	21/	
Ditto Pref.	...		20	...	...	...	21/	
Ditto Pref.	...		5/	...	...	...	5/	
INSURANCE.								
A. M. Fire	30,000	1 10		16½	...	34/	36/	5
Mer. Mut.	30,000	1	4	10	12/	11 9	12 3	5¾
New Zealand	200,000	10	2	13½	...	...	...	
N. Q'land	50,000	1 10		...	...	...	...	
[illegible]	[illegible]	1 5		...	...	...	...	
United	62,500	10	2½	10	74 6	...	75 6	6¾
Ditto new	5,725	10	12 6	10	15 6	...	17 6	8
GAS.								
Albury	7,500	1 12 6		10	18/	18/	...	
Australian	681,738	6	6	[illegible]	17	17¼	17½	5¼
New Issue					13¼	13¼	13½	
C. Towers	20,000	10	10	...	14 9	...	...	
Goulburn	15,000	1	1	9	40	48 6	...	6
Grafton	5,000	1	1	...	24	26/	...	
Manly	5,000	1	1	...	22 6	...	...	5½
[illegible]	5,000	1 10		7	12 4½	...	...	
Mudgee	8,000	1	1	7	17/	17	...	4
Newcastle	75,226	2	2	15	6¼	6¼	...	4¾
Ditto	...		5		14 6	17 6	...	4¼
North Shore	100,000	1	1	7	20	20 6	31 6	6½
Ditto New	...		5	7	10 3	12/	...	4
Maitland Gas	15,000	1	5	...	...	6	...	
BREWERIES.								
Albury	10,500	10		5	...	...	5/	
[illegible]	4,000	1	1	5	...	...	4/	
Australian	48,000	10	10	...	4 2	...	...	
C. and Wood Bros	236,000	1	1	4	9 4½	9 3	9 9	8¾
Marshall's	29,797	10	5	6	...	...	4/	
Perkins'	38,[illegible]	15	15	17½	35/	...	...	7½
Tooth's	300,000	1	1	7	29/	29/	...	
MISCELN'S.								
[illegible]	17,500	15	10	5	3 7	3 4	3 6	
Aus. News	40,000	1	1	5	15/	15/	...	6¾
B. H. Water Supply	136,500	1	1	10	...	20/	...	
Burns, Philp	275,000	1	1	8	34/	32	...	
New Issue		1	5/		8 6	8/	...	
Col. Sugar	1,872,200	20	20	10	30¾	30¾	30¾	5¾
Dyer & Co.	100,000	20	5	8	5¾	5½	...	
[illegible]	100,000	1	1	...	...	...	...	
[illegible]	34,000	1	1	5	11 9	11/	13 6	
[illegible]					13/	...	14/	
[illegible]	80,000	1	10	10/	21 6	...	...	
[illegible]	74,344	1	1	7½	29/	...	...	
Mort's Dock	150,000	1	1	8	17/	...	...	
Ditto Pref.	45,301	1	1	6	22/	...	22/	5½
[illegible]	165,111	3	18		6 9	6 9	7	
[illegible]	75,000	3	15/		4/	...	4 3	
[illegible]	15,000	1	1	10	21	21 9	25 6	9¼
Perp. Trust	20,000	1	2 6	6	2/	1 11	2/	6½
Perp. Trus.	25,000	10	5	8	9 3	9 3	...	
[illegible]	125,000	1	1	5	...	12 9	13 6	4¾
S. Tram.	127,800	1	1	30	40 6	70 6	75/	
[illegible]	2,500	10	10	7	...	14¼	...	
Syd. Hyd.	75,000	1	1	6	44 6	...	45 6	4¾
[illegible]	37,500	1	10	10	24/	...	23 9	
Vic. Land Order	...				160	...	165	
LAND & BD.								
A. Mut. Imp.	...				4¼	...	...	
[illegible]	...				7 3	...	...	
[illegible]	...				14	...	...	
[illegible]	...		17	3	14 6	...	...	
[illegible]	...				...	12/	...	
[illegible]	...				...	21	...	
Fed. Prov.	60,065	20	20	6	...	...	...	
[illegible]	33,958	1	15/	7	14	15 6	16 6	6
[illegible]					8/	...	...	
[illegible]					17	...	...	

* Where dividends are interim the yield is based on a year's distribution; otherwise on the last half-yearly one. x Cum rights.

Business in the Import market continues unsettled and unsatisfactory on account of the uncertainty of the tariff. The export trade is still brisk, the demand for the now diminishing catalogues of wool being very active at well-maintained rates. The season continues a dry one, and the rains usual at this time of the year will be welcomed. Monetary accommodation remains easy at current rates. Bank deposits are quoted as follows:—For deposits: For 12 months, 3 per cent.; six months 1½ per cent. Discount rates are: For three months' bills, 5 to 5½ per cent.; four months' bills, 5½ to 6½ per cent.; overdrafts, 6 to 7 per cent. The rates of exchange on London are:—

	Buying.	Selling.
On demand	7s 6d disc.	17s 6d prem.
30 days' sight	12s 6d disc.	12s 6d prem.
60 days' sight	17s 6d disc.	7s 6d prem.
90 days' sight	25s disc.	5s prem.
120 days' sight	32s 6d disc.	

Telegraphic transfer rates, 25s per cent. premium.

The rates for colonial and inter-state exchange are as follows:—On New South Wales, 2s per cent. Broken Hill and Wilcannia, ½; on Queensland, as far north as Rockhampton, ¾; Townsville, ½; north of Townsville, 1; Victoria, ½; Tasmania and South Australia, ½. Western Australia (Perth and Fremantle, ½; Boulder City, Coolgardie, and Kalgoorlie, 1 per cent.; other parts of Western Australia, 1½ per cent. New Zealand, ½ per cent.

The R.M.S. China sailed to-day for London with 12 bars bullion ex Zelandia, and 10 bars dore bullion, shipped by Smelting Company of Australia.

The twenty-third half-yearly report of the Broken Hill Water Supply Company shows that the profit for the six months amounted to £10,250, previous balance £13,270, making a total of £23,520. From this had been deducted the sum of £10,000 for the two dividends of 6d per share paid in July and October last, leaving a balance of £13,520 to be carried forward. The decrease in the profit, as compared with the previous half-year, was due to the falling off in consumption, principally during the months of August and September. The passing of the Mining Laws Amendment Act by the New South Wales Parliament, under which the mines have the power to extend their leases, is regarded as an indirect benefit to the company, as it gives mining companies security of tenure, and will permit them to erect plant and machinery which under previously existing conditions they might have hesitated to do.

A day or two back we mentioned that owing to the death of Queen Victoria there was a decline in the Imperial coinage from £15,776,565 in 1900 to £3,523,481 in 1901. As we now learn from our American files the coinage of the United States mints in 1901 was valued at 134,693,770dol.—about £27,000,000, as compared with £27,600,000 in the previous year. The amounts of the various coins were as follows:—Double eagles, 34,150,520dol.; eagles, 46,036,160dol.; half-eagles, 21,520,200dol.; quarter eagles, 128,307dol. 50c.; standard dollars, 22,566,813dol.; half-dollars, 3,119,928dol. 50c.; quarter dollars, 1,644,369dol. 25c.; dimes, 2,507,350dol.; five cents, 1,324,010dol. 65c.; cents, 796,111dol. 43c. Converted into sterling this represents about £20,400,000 in gold and £6,600,000 in silver. The coinage of standard dollars, amounting to about £4,600,000, is a weak feature of the currency system, as it represents what cannot be employed in the circulation, and is but the result of the political pressure to use up all the silver purchased under the law abrogated a few years back. In time doubtless all these coins will be melted down and converted into subsidiary silver coins that will be needed with the growth of population.

The foreign trade of Great Britain in January was affected by two special causes. The imports were enlarged by special shipments of sugar, to evade an anticipated increase of duty on the introduction of the tariff. Then the value of the exports of British produce was reduced by a decline in the price of coal, which for so long had been kept unduly high. The actual amount of the month's imports was £50,131,348—an increase of £4,143,832, as compared with the imports in January, 1901. The total value of the imports of sugar into the United Kingdom in the month of January, 1901, was £1,662,000. If the whole of the increase in the imports of the month of January was due to sugar, then there must have been a quantity equal in value to £5,807,000 brought into the country—equal to between three and four months' consumption. Then as to the exports of British and Irish produce, the value is given as £24,254,574, or £498,957 less than in January, 1901. The quantity of coal exported in January, 1901, was 3,049,000 tons, of the value of £2,445,000, about 16s per ton. A like amount exported last month for a drop of £498,957 would represent but 12s 9d per ton.

The following table shows the Bank of England figures, quotations for Consols and New South Wales 3 per cents, and money rates and prices of the principal Australian commodities, in comparison with the figures for the years 1900 and 1901:—

	Feb. 9, 1900.	Feb. 8, 1901.	Feb. 7, 1902.
	£	£	£
Coin and bullion	35,517,000	32,627,000	36,378,000
Circulation	28,470,000	28,988,000	28,980,000
Public deposits	12,570,000	8,319,000	12,338,000
Other deposits	38,428,000	38,690,000	39,090,000
Government securities	18,093,000	15,995,000	17,274,000
Other securities	27,338,000	28,657,000	27,296,000
Reserve of notes and coin	23,847,000	21,514,000	25,184,000
Percen. of reserve to liab.	46 59	45 58	48 76
Bank rate of discount, p.c.	4	4½	3
Market rate, p.c.	3¾	3⅛	2 11-16
Goschen's Consols	101¼	96⅞	94½
N.S.W. 3's, 1935	100¼	100	96½
Silver, per oz.	27 5-16d	27¾d	25¼d
Brad. tops, 60's, common	30¼d	18d	19½d
Ditto, 60's, super	...	18¼d	20½d
Tin, per ton	138	122½	112
Lead, per ton	16⅝	15½	11 1-16
Copper, per ton	74¾	71⅝	54¾
Australian mutton, per lb.	3 9-16d	4 1-16d	2 13-16d
Aus. mutton tallow, med	28 6	26 9	32 6
Australian butter, per cwt.	99	107	100/

The bank figures indicate larger resources than were held a year back, and consequently the bank and money market rates are lower. Consols and New South Wales 3 per cents have gone down. Bradford tops, tallow and butter, are higher on the year, but the other produce in the list is lower. A later message reports a further rise in metals for the week, making copper 5s, tin 10s, and lead 6s 3d per ton higher than quoted in the above list.

The foreshores of Sydney Harbour almost to its entrance command high prices. Portion of a subdivision of Vaucluse Estate to-day, sold by Richardson and Wrench, Limited, brought from £4 12s 6d to £10 5s per foot for the water frontages, while the back lands, with frontages to good thoroughfares, sold at £2 to £2 12s 6d, the amount of the sale aggregating £8456 5s. Likewise land at Manly now brings high prices, six allotments on the Corso selling by Messrs. Raine and Horne, in conjunction with Mr. H. T. Robey, at £15 5s to £16 per foot.

The Buenos Ayres "Standard" paints the following dismal description of the local market for the inferior wools produced on its pastures:—

There seems to be less interest to buy from one day to another. The majority of buyers have orders for only fine cross and fine wools at low prices, so that the crisis in coarse wools becomes more marked daily. A lot of coarse crossbred with "semilla" has been sold at 1dol., and several other parcels at 2¼dol., whilst good to superior only obtain 3·2¼dol. to 3·70dol. These are prices never before known here, and when the tax, freight, and expenses are deducted the result is ruin for the sheepfarmer, especially if he is counting upon it to pay his rent. But such is the state of the market without gloss or exaggeration. And the worst of it is that the utter indifference of buyers, even at these prices, seems palpable proof that Europe has no application for coarse wools. How is it to end? Such a critical state of affairs cannot continue long without causing commercial trouble, and we much fear that not only the sheepfarmer, but the consignee and business houses must also suffer.

BREADSTUFFS.

Flour ruled firmer up to £7 15s in sympathy with the rise in Melbourne. It is quite possible that shippers in the southern capital will have to complete orders in this market.

IMPORT MARKET.

Inquiries were more numerous during the past week, and actual sales also showed some improvement. Those who watch retailers' orders closely aver with some confidence that there are manifest signs that stocks are now materially reduced. Were once the duties finally settled trade would have a much better opportunity of resuming normal lines. Of course, there are special articles which are in such heavy supply that several months must still elapse before the customary routine of trade can once more be carried on.

A return has been published on the authority of the Comptroller of Customs which shows the Customs revenue received in the various States of the Commonwealth during January. That portion dealing with New South Wales, Victoria, and Queensland is of considerable interest to traders, and it is accordingly appended as follows:—

	N.S.W.	Victoria.	Queensland.
CUSTOMS—			
Spirits	£57,300	£15,014	£20,200
Wine	1,585	1,263	400
Beer and cider	3,409	5,030	3,200
Tobacco and snuff	8,500	7,341	9,000
Cigars and cigarettes	5,900	2,398	2,000
Tea	2,490	6,049	2,800
Sugar and molasses	6,400	27,185	...
Coffee, chicory, cocoa, chocolate	200	285	300
Opium	1,800	436	3,600
Rice	500	3,062	3,600
Hops and malt	1,500	780	1,700
Dried fruits	1,000	1,253	600
All other articles subject ad valorem	93,000	85,313	21,000
All others fixed rates	21,700	18,010	12,300
Miscellaneous	2,000	1,235	800
Total Customs	£207,800	£176,382	£81,300
EXCISE—			
Spirits	4,000	2,825	5,300
Tobacco	10,300	3,332	1,600
Beer	18,100	17,314	6,200
Sugar	14,400	3,377	700
Licenses, tobacco and cigars	500	185	100
All other licenses	600	208	100
Total excise	£48,100	£27,241	£14,000
Total Customs and excise	£255,600	£203,623	£95,300
Drawback and refunds		7,113	
Net Customs and excise	£255,600	£196,510	£95,300

Messrs. Scott, Henderson, and Co. forward us the following extract from their San Francisco letter, dated January 14, dealing with lumber:—

Redwood is firm at 20dol. per 1000ft. in accordance with standard specification adopted on the 4th instant, f.o.b. Humboldt Bay, and we believe it will soon advance to 21dol. We have sold several cargoes for Fremantle, Melbourne, and Adelaide at 20dol., and now have several quotations out for Sydney at that figure. We beg to advise you that at a meeting of the Directors of the Humboldt Lumber Manufacturers' Association, held on the 4th instant, the following specifications for basis of export business, to take a uniform price, were adopted, viz.:—1in. x 8in. and up, 1¼in. x 8in. up, 1½in. x 8in. and up, 1¾in. x 8in. and up, 2in. x 8in. and up, 2½in. x 8in. and up, 3in. x 8in. and up, 4in. x 8in. and up, 5in. x 8in. and up, 6in. x 8in. and up, averaging 16in. wide, 12ft. to 20ft., long, rough clear redwood. Special sizes not included in above to be at extra price, according to specification of same.

Oregon remains at face of schedule C, less 2½ per cent. discount for cash.

Freight.—Market quotations for lumber are:—Sydney, 38s 9d to 42s 6d; Melbourne or Adelaide, 40s 3d to 5/w; Port Pirie, 40s 3d; Fremantle or Geraldton, 37s 6d to 40s; redwood from Humboldt Bay to Sydney, 58s 6d; redwood from Humboldt Bay to Melbourne or Adelaide, 60s to 62s 6d. Market continues firm.

Messrs. Henry W. Peabody and Co. advise the receipt of a cable from New York indicating an advance in steamer freights to Sydney and Melbourne to 30s net without rebates.

The Customs revenue received at Sydney to-day amounted to £10,314. The principal items were:—Spirits, £1062; wine, £98; tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £175; tea, £15; candles, £25; confectionery, £41; peel, £29; timber, £329; pilotage, £41; harbour dues, £53; excise on spirits, £70; excise on tobacco, cigars, and cigarettes, £1005; excise on beer, £15; excise on sugar, £1215; at ad valorem rates, £6020. Total, £10,314.

EXPORT MARKET.

Wool Receipts.—At Darling Harbour on Saturday 486 bales of wool were manifested to arrive by rail, and 566 were received coastwise.

ENGLISH COMMERCIAL.

LONDON, Feb. 8.

FROZEN MEATMARKET.

The following are the official quotations of the Frozen Meat Trade Association. The basis of quotations is a sale of a line of not less than 100 carcases of mutton or lamb or 100 quarters of beef. All the quotations for mutton are for fair average quality. The quotations for New Zealand and Australian lamb do not include sales of small lambs or heavies of inferior quality:—

MUTTON.

New Zealand.—Crossbred wethers and maiden ewes (55lb. to 65lb.): Canterbury, unchanged at 3 9-16d; Dunedin and Southland, unchanged at 3 5-16d; North Island, unchanged at 3 3-16d per lb.

Australian.—Crossbred and merino wethers: Heavy (over 50lb.), unchanged at 2 13-16d; light (under 50lb.), unchanged at 2 15-16d.

River Plate.—Crossbreds or merino wethers: Heavy (over 50lb.), unchanged at 2 15-16d; ditto, light (under 50lb.), unchanged at 3 1-16d.

LAMB.

Many Australian lambs have been condemned at Smithfield on account of their emaciated condition. Prime, unchanged at 4½d; fair are quoted ½d lower at 3½d.

New Zealand.—The following quotations are for old seasons:—Prime Canterbury (32lb. to 40lb.), unchanged at 4½d; fair average, including Dunedin, Southland, Wellington, and secondary Canterbury (32lb. to 40lb.), unchanged at 4½d per lb.

BEEF.

Australian.—Ox fores (160lb. to 200lb.), fair average quality are quoted ½d lower at 2 11-16d; and hinds (160lb. to 200lb.), fair average quality, ½d higher at 3½d per lb.

New Zealand fores 3½d, and hinds 4½d per lb.

HIDES.

Hides were in slow demand at the periodical sales. Queensland heavy ox sold at 5 1-16d, light ditto 4½d, and cow at 4½d. New South Wales hides sold at 4½d for heavy ox, 4½d for light ditto, and 4½d for cow.

LEATHER AND BASILS.

Australian leather is firm at 11½d.

Basils are steady. Australian at 13½d per lb.

SILVER.

Bar silver is quoted at 2s 1 7-16d per ounce standard.

METALS.

The following are the ruling quotations:—

Copper.—Spot, 55½; three months, 54½.

Tin.—Spot, 113; three months, 107½.

Lead.—Spot, 11⅞ per ton.

KAURI GUM.

The stock of kauri gum is 1540 cases.

COMMERCIAL TELEGRAMS.

MELBOURNE, Sunday.

On the Stock Exchange on Saturday morning Victoria 3 per cents (1921-1930) sold at £96; Metropolitan Board of Works 3½ per cents, £99 5s; Commercial Bank, preferential, sold £5 2s, £5 3s; Royal Bank, 16s; Melbourne Tram, 19s 2d; Northcote Brick, 14s 3d, 14s.

Wheat is firmer. About 20,000 bags sold at 3s 5½d to 3s 5¾d. Business was also done at 3s 6d. Algerian oats, 2s 5d to 2s 7d. Seed, 2s 8d to 2s 8½d. Warrnambool potatoes firmer, £3 2s 6d. 100 packages of Ceylon tea sold at 7½d to 9d.

In the Queen Victoria Market on Saturday morning apples sold at 1s to 4s per case; grapes, 4s to 8s per case; oranges, 10s to 12s per case; lemons, 10s to 14s per case; peaches, 2s to 6s per case; pears, culinary 2s to 3s per case, dessert 4s to 6s per case; plums, 2s to 4s per case.

PRODUCE INWARDS.

DEVONPORT, Sunday.

The steamer Glaucus sailed on Saturday night direct to Sydney with a cargo of 8632 bags potatoes, 68 bags peas, 32 pieces timber, 1090 bags oats, 234 bags turnips.

The Kamona left at 7 on Sunday morning with a cargo of 5840 bags potatoes, 1543 bags oats, 520 bags peas, 260 bags turnips, 1666 bags straw, leaving no tubers on Devonport wharfs. Saturday's quotations are:—Potatoes, £3 17s 6d to £4, which competing buyers ran up to £4 7s 6d.

PALMER'S ISLAND, Saturday.

The steamer Kallatina leaves here at 7 a.m. to-morrow with 1250 bags maize, 58 bags bark, 124 cases eggs, 28 cases fish, 17 casks tallow, 30 coops poultry, 240 hides, 63 pigs, 1000 sleepers, 11 packages skins, 400 boxes butter, 3000 spokes, 17,000ft. timber, and sundries.

MELBOURNE, Saturday.

The Barwon sailed on Saturday for Sydney with 125 bags malt, 636 bags onions, and 95 bags potatoes, and produce shipments from Geelong.

DAIRY NEWS.

MILLTHORPE, Saturday.

At the half-yearly meeting of the Millthorpe Butter Factory Company, Limited, the report showed that 47,012 gallons of milk were supplied, with an average test of 3·9. Prices ranged from 3½d to 4½d per gallon. Messrs. Noonan, Whitmee, E. Ezzy, and R. Ezzy were re-elected directors.

PAMBULA, Saturday.

The Pambula Dairy Company received 42,453lb. cream last month, manufacturing nearly 20,000lb. butter, and realising 10½d. The expenses, with the sinking fund deduction, equalled 1½d per lb. The output was considerably below that of the previous month.

ROBERTSON, Saturday.

The half-yearly meeting of shareholders of the Berrima District Farm and Dairy Company was held this afternoon in the School of Arts, Mr. Thomas Scory, chairman of directors, presiding. There were present about 60 shareholders. The report showed that the turnover for the six months was the largest £23,000 for any six months since the formation of the company, and exceeded £100,000. The profits, after writing off £397 3s for depreciation of plant and buildings, amounted to £3013 5s 9d, which the directors recommended to be distributed as follows:—10 per cent. dividend on paid-up capital, £93 13s; 15 per cent. bonus to suppliers on the amount of commission charged for the year, £1010; £600 to the credit of the general reserve fund, and £260 to the reserve fund for export, and the balance of £1169 12s 9d carried forward to next year. The report and balance-sheet were unanimously adopted on the motion of the chairman, seconded by Mr. James Gilroy. The retiring directors, Messrs. W. R. Hindmarsh, A. Knox, and A. M. Smith, were re-elected, and Mr. W. B. Doust was re-elected auditor.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

TRADE IN SUSSEX-STREET.

The markets were uniformly quiet in tone, operations being on a restricted scale in most lines. Owing to continued scarcity, both bran and pollard may be quoted a trifle dearer.

Wholesale quotations were:—

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Bacon and Hams.—Scarce and firm. Hand-cured, 8d; flitches, 7½d; middles, 8½d; farmers' hand-cured, choice, 9½d; Pineapple flitches, 7½d; middles, 8½d; York, Castle mild-cured brand, sides 8½d; Bodalla sides, 7½d; Hams, 10½d; Eclipse sides, 7½d; Clarence sides, 8d. Hams: Local hams, choice, in cloth, 9½d; New Zealand, 9½d to 10½d; Pineapple, 10½d; York Castle, 10½d; Eclipse, 10½d per lb.

Eggs.—Northern eggs, 11d to 1s; South, 1s 1d to 1s 2d; suburban new-laid hen eggs, good sale, 1s 4d to 1s 5d; and duck eggs, 1s 4d to 1s 5d per dozen.

Butter.—Market quiet. Choice quoted at 11d, second quality quoted at 10d to 10½d, pastry 9d to 9½d; pasteurised 11½d per lb.

Cheese.—Prime loaf, 6½d to 6½d; medium quality to 6d; large choice, 6d to 6½d; medium quality, 5½d; soft new, 4d to 5d; Kameruka, 7d; Bodalla, 7d per lb.

Poultry.—Steady sale. Fair supplies. River poultry, fowls, hens, prime 3s 3d to 3s 6d, medium 3s, young sorts 1s 6d to 2s 6d; choice roosters, 3s 6d to 4s; young roosters, locally reared, 3s 6d to 4s 6d; hens, 3s 6d to 3s 9d; English river ducks, 2s 9d to 3s 9d, choice 3s to 3s 3d, locally reared, old 3s to 3s 9d, young 3s 6d; Muscovy ducks, river, 3s 6d to 4s; locally reared ducks, 3s to 4s; drakes, 4s to 5s 6d; geese, 4s 6d to 5s; turkeys, gobblers 10s, good 12s to 18s, prime to 18s; hens, 6s to 7s per pair.

FEED GRAIN MARKET.

Oats.—Local Algerian, 2s 6d to 2s 9d; prime white, 3s to 3s 2d; Tasmanian, prime, 3s 3d to 3s 4d; Victorian short feed, 3s 3d; prime New Zealand quoted at 3s 6d per bushel.

Maize.—Market firmer. River grain: Prime 3s 5d, good 3s 4d, rough 3s 3d, new quoted 3s 6d, inland prime 3s 6d, Victorian 3s 5d to 3s 8d per bushel.

Peas.—Grey, 3s 9d to 4s, blue 7s per bushel.

Barley.—2s 11d to 3s 1d per bushel.

Buckwheat.—Prime, 2s 9½d to 2s 10d; medium, 2s 7d to 2s 8½d per bushel.

FORAGE MARKET.

Chaff.—Ready sale. Local, prime, £4 2s 6d to £4 5s; extra green, to £4 12s 6d; medium, to £3 17s 6d; rough, to £3 10s; Adelaide, prime £4, medium £3 15s per ton.

Lucerne.—Wharf, prime £3 5s to £3 10s, medium to £3 2s 6d; railway prime in small bales £3 10s to £3 15s, extra choice £4, large bales medium £2 15s to £3; prime to £3 7s 6d per ton.

Hay.—Local oaten in bundles: Prime, £4 to £4 5s; good, to £3 15s; medium, to £3; rough, to £2 15s per ton.

Straw.—Local, bundled, to £2 2s 6d; derrick-pressed, £2 5s to £2 7s 6d per ton. Imported, to £2 5s per ton.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Lard.—Bladders, 5½d to 6½d, bulk 5½d to 5½d per lb.

Onions.—Prime Portarlington £4 5s, Globes £3 15s per ton.

Honey.—Candied at 1½d to 2d, clear 2d, choice 2½d to 2½d per lb. for tins containing 60lb.

Beeswax.—1s to 1s 1d per lb.

POTATO MARKET.

Potatoes.—Tasmanian Circulars, market bare. Inland Rough £2 10s, medium £3 5s to £4 5s per ton.

BRAN AND POLLARD.

Both bran and pollard were scarce, prices being nominal at 10d to 10½d per bushel.

WOOD MARKET.

Fair supply. Good demand. Best footwood 12s 6d to 14s 6d, second quality 10s 6d to 11s 6d, rough 8s to 10s; billets 9s 6d to 10s 6d, second quality 8s to 9s, rough 5s 6d to 7s 6d; bakers', 8s to 10s 6d per ton.

The following is an approximate return of general produce received coastwise for the week ended Thursday, February 6:—

—	N. S. W.	Queensland.	Victoria.	N. Zealand.	Tasmania.	Total.
Flour, bags			3,090			3,680
Wheat, bags			400			400
Wheat, tons			500			500
Bran, bags			270			270
Chaff, bags			2,700		114	2,814
Maize, bags	3,222					3,222
Oats, bags			520		2,267	2,787
Barley, bags		1,023	100			1,123
Peas, bags			132		134	264
Hay, bales	1,473	40	180			1,693
Onions, bags	32		1,739			1,771
Potatoes, bags	250		757		9,853	10,860
Bacon, pkgs	43	15		2		[illegible]
Butter, pkgs	4,852			190		5,042
Eggs, cases	632					632
Cheese, number	2,003			3		[illegible]
Cheese, cases						
Poultry, coops	173					173
Honey, cases	58					58
Straw, bales					1,979	1,979
Fruit, cases	29	1,399	1,042		2,048	[illegible]
Sugar, pkgs		3,784	861			[illegible]
Turnips, bags					558	558
Lard, pkgs	35					35
Tallow, casks	16	43				[illegible]
Hides, number	518	1,199		274	21	2,012
Pigs, number	519					519

From South Australia: 2807 bags chaff.

HOMEBUSH SALES.

The offerings at the Homebush sales on Monday will be as follow:—

Sheep.—Total, 24,383.

Cattle.—Total, 709.

PROPERTY SALES.

Richardson and Wrench, Limited, submitted to auction on Saturday afternoon the first subdivision of the celebrated Vaucluse Estate, between Rose and Watson's bays, embracing several eligible water frontage positions on Parsley Bay and choice interior sites facing Hopetoun-avenue and the Crescent. The attendance was large, and keen interest manifested in the biddings, resulting in a total realisation of £8456 5s, or varying for water frontages from £10 5s to £4 12s 6d per foot; and the other situations brought from £2 to £2 12s 6d per foot frontage.

Messrs. Raine and Horne report that, in conjunction with Mr. H. Townsend Robey, they sold on Saturday afternoon six allotments on the Corso, Manly, at from £15 5s to £16 per foot.

Robert Little and Co.—Hay, Chaff, Produce Auction, Redfern, daily. Highest prices, immediate returns.—Advt.

The Berrima District Farm and Dairy Coy., Ltd., 663 and 666 Harris-street, Sydney, for prime Creamery Butter, Robertson, Mittagong, and North Coast factories. "A" and "Crown" Bacon, Cheese, Eggs, &c.—Advt.

WOOL SALES.

BRISBANE, Saturday.

At the Brisbane wool sales to-day 5700 bales were offered. There was a large attendance of buyers and keen competition. Bidding was spirited, and prices were 5 to 7½ per cent. higher than at last sales. Dalgety and Co., Ltd., report that they topped the market with a sale of scoureds at 17½d, and Gracedale (Flinders River) greasy wool sold to 8½d.

MINING INTELLIGENCE.

Business on the Mining market on Saturday was on a restricted scale, and prices showed very little movement. In the copper division Mungana shares were wanted at better figures, but Chillagoe Railway and Mines were quoted slightly easier, without business. Queensland quartz ventures again had attention, with sales of South Glanmire and Monkland at 30s, and Victoria G.M. Association at 4s 3½d. Barrier silver stocks were fairly steady, with business reported in Sulphide Corporation at 11s, and Broken Hill Block 10 at 44s 6d.

During the week a better tone generally was observable, the features being the increased demand for Barrier silver stocks and copper companies, due in a large measure to the hardening in the lead and copper markets. Chillagoe Railway and Mines opened with sales at 2s 6d, with a steady advance, and business on Friday at 4s 1d. Briseis Tin Mines improved in price, and a good extent of business was recorded. With the exception of the slump in Lake View Consols, Western Australian companies were steady, but very few transactions were recorded. The range of sales during the week was as follows:—

Copper companies: Chillagoe Railway and Mines, 2s 6d, 2s 4d, 2s 4d, 2s 4d, 2s 9d, 2s 11d, 3s, 3s 3d, 3s 5d, 3s 10d, 3s 10d, 3s 7d, 4s, 4s 1d; Mount Garnet Freehold, 26s 6d; Mungana, 3s 6d, 3s 6d, 3s 10d, 4s; Briseis Tin Mines, 17s 6d, 17s 7½d, 18s, 18s, 18s, 18s, 18s 1½d.

Silver stocks: British Broken Hill (new), 7s 2½d; Broken Hill Proprietary, 38s 3d, 38s; Block 10, 41s 6d, 45s, 44s, 46s 6d, 45s 9d, 45s, 44s 6d; North Broken Hill, 12s 7½d, 12s 8d, 12s 7½d, 12s 9d; Broken Hill South, 25s 9d, 26s, 25s 9d, 26s 3d, 25s 9d; ditto, contributing, 20s; Broken Hill South Blocks, paid, 7s 9d; Sulphide Corporation, 11s 3d, 11s 4½d, 11s 6d, 11s 4½d, 11s 6d, 11s 7½d, 11s 9d, 11s 9d, 11s 9d, 11s 9d, 11s 6d, 11s 6d, 11s 6d, 11s 6d, 11s.

Local gold and dredging ventures: Mount Drysdale, 15s; Sunlight, 1s 1d; Woodlark Island, contributing, 9d, 10d; Araluen Central Dredging, 15s; ditto, contributing, 14s; New Araluen Junction, 3s 2d; Macquarie No. 1, 3s 3d, 3s 2d, 3s 2d.

Victorian gold companies: Star of the East, 20s, 20s 3d.

Queensland quartz companies: Band of Hope, 20s 9d; Mount Morgan, 85s, 85s 6d, 85s; No. 1 North Columbia, 3s 6d; No. 2 North Oriental and Glanmire, 1s 9d; Phœnix Eastern Tribute, 2s; South Glanmire and Monkland, 29s, 28s 6d, 30s, 30s, 29s 10½d, 29s 10d, 30s, 30s; No. 2 South Great Eastern, 46s 6d, 48s, 48s 9d; Victoria G. M. Association, 3s 8d, 3s 8d, 4s 1d, 4s 3d, 4s 7d, 4s 3½d; Queen Cross Reef, 25s, 25s 3d.

Western Australian stocks: Associated Gold Mines, 41s 9d; Hannan's Block 45, 1s 11d, 1s 6d; Ivanhoe Gold Corporation, £7 15s; Queensland Menzies, 13s, 13s.

Coal companies: Stockton, 8s 10½d; Wallsend, £31 10s, £32.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyer.	Seller.
COAL.		
Wallsend	31 12 6	32 10/
COPPER.		
Chillagoe	3 5	4/4
Mount Garnet Freehold	25	—
Mungana (Chillagoe)	3 6	4/
TIN.		
Briseis	17 6	18 6
SILVER.		
New South Wales.		
British Broken Hill	—	10 2
Ditto, new	—	8 6
Broken Hill Proprietary	38/	38/
Block 10	43 6	45/
Block 14	8 9	10/
North Broken Hill	11 6	...
B. H. South	—	25 6
Ditto, con.	18/	19/
B. H. South Blocks	—	7 3
Ditto, con.	—	4 2
New White Leads	—	11d
Sulphide Corporation	11/	11 3
Ditto, preference	19/	22/
Tasmania.		
Mount Lyell	80 6	89/
GOLD.		
New South Wales, &c.		
Baker's Creek	—	5 6
Mount David	8½d	10d
Mt. Drysdale	14/	16
Occidental	—	13/
Peak Hill	—	1 8
Ditto, con.	—	1/
Sunlight	1/	—
Woodlark Island	2 6	3/
Ditto, con.	9d	11d
Young Australian	—	1 6
Dredging and Sluicing Companies.		
Araluen Central	14 6	—
Araluen Proprietary	—	5/3
Araluen Valley Consolidated	7 5	8 6
Associated Gold-dredg.	—	5/
Jerricknorra	—	6/
Macquarie No. 1	—	3 3
Macquarie No. 2	—	6/
Shoalhaven Terraces	2 6	3/
Turon River	—	7 6
Victoria.		
Long Tunnel North	6/	—
Queensland.		
Band of Hope	20 3	21/
Brilliant Central	76/	—
Brilliant Extended	14 10½	—
Ditto, con.	11/	12
Brilliant St. George	40/	—
Clark's Brilliant Worcester, &c., con.	1 9	—
Columbia Smithfield	24	—
East Oriental and Glanmire	—	30/
Kelly's Queen Block	6/	6/3
Ditto, con.	5/	5 6
Mt. Morgan	82 6	85 6
N'th Columbia and Smithfield No. 1	3 5	3 9
N'th Oriental and Glanmire	1 6	—
N'th Oriental and Glanmire No. 2	1 8	2 1
No. 2 North Victory	—	2 2
Papuan	4/4	4/7
South Glanmire and Monkland	29 9	30 3
South Great Eastern No. 2	48/	—
Victoria G.M. Association	4 2½	4 3½
Western Australia.		
Associated	41/	43 6
Ditto Northern Blocks	55	58 6
Brown Hill Central	4/	1 3
Chaffer's	—	5/
Crœsus Proprietary	—	9d
Gt. Boulder	19 9	20/
Ditto, Main Reef	—	17 3
Gt. Boulder Perseverance	11 9	12 0/
Hannan's Block 45	—	1/
Hannan's Oroya	44/	45 6
Ivanhoe	7 12 6	8 0/
Kalgurli, London register	70/	77/6
Kalgurli South, London register	43 3	44 6
Lake View Consols	88/	97 6
Lake View South	—	5/
Paringa Consolidated	1 6	2 6
Queensland Menzies	12 4	12 9
Queen Margaret	—	5 6
Queen Margaret Central	—	1/

EXCHANGE SALES.

The following sales were recorded:—South Glanmire and Monkland, 30s; Victoria G.M. Association, 4s 3½d. Later: South Glanmire and Monkland, 30s; Sulphide Corporation, 11s; B.H. Block 10, 44s 6d; Wallsend, £32; Spring Hill and Central Leads, 24s.

The Broken Hill South Silver-mining Company, No Liability, for the week ended February 8 treated 2852 tons of crude ore and 536 tons of zinc tailings, producing 727 tons of concentrates, assaying 61 per cent. lead, 23oz. of silver, and 10 per cent. zinc. Mill ran one shift short.

Two of the directors of the Wylie Creek Tin-dredging Company, N.L., Messrs. W. Blackett and T. U. Alley, who have just returned from the property, report that the plant is in good order and ready to commence work as soon as the expected rainfall occurs. A neck of hard ground will have to be cut through before the wash is reached, but this ground on a trial run on Monday last was treated to a depth of 10ft. at a fair speed. When the wash is reached continuous work can be carried on, as there is a great quantity of underground water in the creek drifts.

The Mount Garnet Freehold Copper and Silver Mining Company (North Queensland) smelted for the week ended February 4 1690 tons of ore, producing 140 tons matte, containing 75 tons of copper and 16,000oz. of silver. Matte despatched for week, 120 tons.

The Broken Hill Proprietary Block 10 Company, Limited (Broken Hill), advise to February 5:—Plant treated 1151 tons of crude ore, producing 203 tons of concentrates.

Shareholders in the Chillagoe Railway and Mines, Limited, are notified by advertisement elsewhere that transfer books and application list for shares in the New Chillagoe Railway and Mines, Limited, will close at the registered office to-morrow.

Our Bathurst correspondent telegraphed last night that the dredgemaster of the Fish River Gold-dredging Company reported that for the week ended on Saturday the dredge won 20oz. 2dwt. of gold.

MINING IN NEW SOUTH WALES.

BRAIDWOOD, Saturday.

The monthly police escort took 767oz. 2dwt. 9gr. of gold to Tarago. The continued dry weather is retarding the ground-sluicers, but all the dredges have ample water for operations.

DUNGOG, Saturday.

After tunnelling for 500 yards the claim at Cherry Tree Hill, Dungog, has been abandoned, as the small returns did not pay expenses.

PAMBULA, Saturday.

The mining warden has given his reserved decision re the application for six months' suspension of the labour conditions on Falkner and Co.'s leases, and has allowed three months' suspension, one month of which has already expired.

WEST WYALONG, Saturday.

The monthly gold escort took 1200oz. yesterday. O'Donnell and party, tributers of the eastern reef, Golden Fleece, are raising excellent quality stone in the lower levels, and several tons are paddocked. M'Guire and party, tributers of the White Reef, are raising sulphide ore, also battery stone. The party has erected a whim, which enables them systematically to work the mine. A large quantity of stone is in sight. Brogan, M'Namara, and party, tributers of the Barrier, are raising payable stone in the lower levels. Much difficulty is experienced in coping with the water. Smaller mines complain at not having received copies of the new mining regulations. There is a great amount of sickness on the field.

BARRIER MINES.

BROKEN HILL, Saturday.

At the South Blocks progressive work is practically unaltered. No. 3 shaft has been sunk 131ft. from the surface brace, and is full of sulphides, assaying 22½ per cent. lead and 3oz. of silver. Last week's report eastern crosscut driven in oxidised pipe, between boundary and No. 3 shaft; 100ft. level gave the width as 17ft., but opening west run in 5ft. has proved the body really to be 22ft. wide. The western wall here has a very decided underlie eastward, and it will probably be found that the whole lode north and south has underlie in that direction. Assays of stuff taken from near this wall give 14½ per cent. lead and 2½oz. silver. The winze at the 100ft. level north of No. 2 shaft has been sunk 18ft., and the bottom is full of clean sulphides, assays giving 27 per cent. lead and 4½oz. silver.

At the British Mine development work continues to be steadily pushed ahead. The diamond drill which is boring eastward from the end of Blackwood's main north drive at the 500ft. level has explored about 160ft. of barren country, and at present the case is showing hard quartzite, with a little sandstone. In Howell's section the eastern drive in the central body at the 500ft. level has been lengthened 111ft. from the crosscut end, which now carries poor lode stuff, emitting a little water. The western drive in the same body, which has reached 113ft., still carries a full face of good-looking sulphides, and is also making a little water. Excellent progress continues to be made with the 600ft. level, northern drive. The garnet sandstone rib referred to last week proved to be about 2ft. wide with low silver contents.

The North Central mine has obtained a suspension of labour conditions, and has stopped working.

Mr. G. Ullrich, engineer for the Australian Metal Company, who arrived from the head office, Germany, two years ago, left for Melbourne by last night's express en route to America. During his term of office here Mr. Ullrich has given special attention to the perfecting, as far as possible under existing circumstances, of the magnetic separation principle, and with this he has been very successful.

At first there was much trouble with the separating machinery in use owing to the noxious dust, but not only has this trouble been overcome, but on commercial lines the experiments have been most satisfactory. Mr. Ullrich stated, that besides making profitable zinc and lead products after a series of adjustments, his machine would also deal with copper, tin, and other ores. The new separator has successfully treated between 200 and 300 tons of ores from the Broken Hill mines. Mr. Ullrich is going to America to visit some of the large magnetic separation works belonging to his company, which are doing profitable work, with the object of gaining experience in various methods of crushing and working, and also to introduce the new machine into these establishments.

A send-off was given to Mr. Ullrich on Thursday night at the German Club, and he was entertained this afternoon by the Broken Hill Club.

HILLGROVE DIVISION.

HILLGROVE, Saturday.

The battery at Baker's Creek has been crushing full time for the week, and will clean up at an early date, after which crushings will be made as ore is won. Sinking the main shaft to No. 14 level is in progress, and also driving Nos. 10 and 11 levels, in both of which the reef is at present of a poor nature. Stoping is being carried on back of Nos. 8 and 13 levels, and some fair grade ore is being mined. The chimney-stack for the new boilers was safely placed in position to-day.

At the Eleanora G. M. Company's mine two fresh tributes have been let during the week. Treatment of tailings is proceeding satisfactorily, and another pan is ready.

The Sunlight G.M. Company reports work done for the week ended February 6 as follows:—No. 10 East extended 16ft., making 156ft. from shaft. The contractors have completed the first 100ft. and have contracted for another 100ft., which has been let. The reef is in the face at the drive. No. 10 west has been extended 6ft., making a total of 123ft. from the shaft; reef also in the face. No. 6 crosscut has been extended 2½ft., making a total of 25½ft. from the hanging-wall.

A copper lode has been discovered in the falls near Marengo, out Guy Fawkes way, by a prospector named Baldwin. The lode is stated to be of good width and rich in copper.

At the Hillgrove Proprietary Mines.—Since last report No. 3 drive has been driven east 7ft., making a total of 31ft. The reef is split into two veins, both carrying gold. No. 4 has been driven west 15½ft. to the boundary of Baker's Creek. The reef is about 6in., composed of laminated slate, containing thin quartz veins, carrying gold. Started driving east from the crosscut; this is now in 5ft.

Several of the miners recently discharged from Baker's Creek are leaving for Western Australia to-morrow night.

Mr. George Smith, tributing on the Garibaldi, started crushing on Thursday, and on resuming this morning found the blowpipe had burst and the boiler was empty. The break has been remedied, and work was resumed this morning.

INTER-STATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Sunday.

Sales and quotations on the Exchange yesterday were:—Broken Hill Proprietary, 38s 3d, buyer 38s 3d, seller 38s 6d; British New, buyer 7s 6d, seller 8s; Block 10, buyer 43s 3d, seller 45s 6d; Broken Hill Junction, 3s, buyer 3s, seller 3s 1d; North Broken Hill, 11s 7½d, buyer 11s 6d, seller 11s 9d; South Broken Hill, paid, 25s, 24s 10½d, buyer 24s 6d, seller 25s; ditto, contributing, 18s 3d, buyer 17s 6d, seller 18s 6d; South Blocks, paid, buyer 6s 6d, seller 7s; ditto, contributing, 3s 9d, buyer 3s 9d, seller 3s 10d; Junction North, 1s 10½d, 1s 10d, buyer 1s 9½d, seller 1s 10d; Sulphide Corporation, 10s 9d, 10s 10½d, 10s 9d, buyer 10s 7½d, seller 10s 10½d; Associated Gold Mines, colonial, 42s, buyer 41s 9d, seller 42s 6d; ditto, Northern Blocks, London, 57s; ditto, colonial, 57s 6d, 57s 3d, 57s 9d, 57s 6d, buyer 57s 3d, seller 57s 6d; Block 45, 9½d, 11d; Crœsus Proprietary Company, 6½d; Cosmopolitan, buyer, 31s 6d, seller 32s; Cumberland, contributing, 2s 2d, 2s 3½d, buyer 2s 2½d, seller 2s 4½d; Great Boulder, 20s 3d, buyer 20s 1½d, seller 20s 4½d; Boulder Main Reef, 16s 9d, buyer 16s 3d, seller 16s 10½d; Great Boulder Perseverance, buyer £11 11s, seller £11 15s; Hannan's Central Extended, 1s 11d, 1s 10½d, buyer 1s 11d, seller 1s 11½d; Hainault, buyer 10s 4½d, seller 10s 9½d; Hannan's Oroya, 45s 6d, 45s 9d, buyer 45s 6d, seller 45s 9d; Imperial Boulder, paid, 3d, 3½d; Island Eureka, 8s 8d, 8s 10½d, buyer 8s 9d, seller 9s; Ivanhoe (colonial), £7 16s, seller £7 17s 6d; Lake View Consols, colonial, buyer 85s, seller 92s 6d; Princess Royal, contributing, 20s 3d, buyer 19s 6d, seller 20s 9d; Princess Royal North, paid, 4s 1d, 4s 3d, buyer 4s 2d, seller 4s 4d; ditto, contributing, 3s 6d, 3s 8½d, 3s 8d, buyer 3s 7½d, seller 3s 8½d; ditto, South, contributing, 7½d, 7d; Queen Margaret, 5s 2d, 5s 9d, buyer 5s 10d, seller 5s 11d; ditto, Central, 11½d; Queensland Menzies, buyer 12s 7½d, seller 13s; South Kalgurli, 44s, buyer 44s, seller 44s 6d; Westralia Waihi, contributing, 1s 4d, buyer 1s, seller 1s 6d; Victory United, 1s 6d, 1s 7d, buyer 1s 7d, seller 1s 8d; Tarcoola Blocks, buyer 10s 3d, seller 12s; Chillagoe Railway and Mines, 3s 9d, 3s 3d, buyer 3s 2d, seller 3s 3d; Paul's, 82s 6d, 82s 6d, buyer 82s 6d, seller 85s; Wallaroo, buyer 18s 9d, seller 19s; Briseis Tin Mines, buyer 18s, seller 18s 4½d; Smith's Creek, £25, buyer £25, seller £26.

BALLARAT, Saturday.

The Exchange sales to-day were:—Berry Consols Extended, 26s 6d; Berry United, 2s 1d, 2s 2d, 2s; Duke and M.L., contributing, 1s 7d; Exchange, 5½d; Glenfine Estate, 2s 5d; Great Glenfine, 7d, 6d; Great Glenfine, paid up, 10d; Glenfine Consols, 5s 8d, 5s 6d; Kangaroo, 4s 9d; Lady Parker, 3s 1d; Main Leads, 4s 2d; Main Leads North, 16s, 16s 3d; New Caxton, 1s 1d, 1s 6d; North Woah Hawp, 3s; Red, White, and Blue, 8s 9d; Sons of Freedom South, 4s 8d, 4s 6d; Spring Hill and Central, 23s 9d, 25s 2d; Star of the East, 20s.

BENDIGO, Saturday.

Sales on Exchange to-day were:—Clarence, 51s 6d; Don, 2s 1d to 2s 3d; Hercules and Burrowes, 2s; Hustler's Reef No. 1, 5s 3d; North Shamrock, 4½d, 4½d; Perseverance, 5½d; Sea, 10s 4½d, 10s 3d, 10s 10½d; South New Moon, 71s; Central Cookman, 1s 9d (50).

BRISBANE, Sunday.

Quotations on the Exchange yesterday were: Chillagoe Railway and Mines, buyer 3s 9d, seller, 4s 6d; Mungana, buyer 3s 10s, seller 4s 3d; Mount Garnet Freehold, seller 30s; Chillagoe debentures, buyer £70 10s.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Sunday.

Sales on the Exchange yesterday were:—Brilliant Extended, contributing, 11s 6d; Craven's Caledonia, 5d; Kelly's Queen, contributing, 5s 4d; ditto, paid, 6s 6d; Marshall's Queen, contributing, 9s; ditto, paid, 18s 9d, 18s 10d; Mill's United Gold Mines 6s 3d. New Queen, 3s 10d; Phœbe, 2s to 2s 2½d; Queen Central, paid, 5s 6d; Ruby, 8d; Victoria Queen, 5s 1d; Victoria and Caledonia, contributing, 12s 1½d to 12s; Victoria G.M. Association, 4s.

GYMPIE, Saturday.

Sales on the Exchange to-day were:—No. 1 North Columbia Smithfield, 3s 5d. Quotations were: Columbia Smithfield, buyer 4½d, seller 4½d; No. 1 North Columbia Smithfield, buyer 3s 3d, seller 3s 6d; No. 2 ditto, buyer 3s 7d, seller 3s 10d; South Glanmire and Monkland, buyer 28s 9d, seller 31s 3d; No. 1 South Gympie Gold Mines, buyer 2s, seller 2s 5d; Oriental and Glanmire (old), buyer 15s 2d, seller 16s; ditto (new), buyer 14s, seller 14s 6d; No. 1 North Oriental and Glanmire, buyer 11s 3d, seller 11s 6d; Oriental Extended, paid, buyer 2s, seller 2s 4d; ditto, contributing, buyer 1s 4½d, seller 1s 5½d; East Oriental and Glanmire, buyer 8s 4d, seller 10s; Oriental Consols, contributing, buyer 12s 6d, seller 15s 6d; Phœnix Eastern Tributes, buyer 2s 3d, seller 2s 4½d; Queen's Oriental, contributing, 1s 0½d, seller 1s 2d.

HOBART, Sunday.

Quotations on the Exchange yesterday were:—Lyell Blocks, buyer 2s 3d, seller 2s 6d; North Lyell, seller 33s 6d; Mount Rex, seller 1s 6d; New Brothers Home No. 1, buyer 4s, seller 4s 9d; Silver King, buyer £3; Hercules, seller 3s 6d; North Lyell, seller 33s 6d; Renison Bell, seller 20s.

LAUNCESTON, Sunday.

Sales on the Exchange yesterday were:—Tasmania Gold Mines, £7 4s; Mount Bischoff, £33 12s 6d, £34. Quotations were:—New Pinafore, buyer 1s 3d, seller 1s 6d; Chillagoe Railway and Mines, buyer 3s 6d; Hercules, buyer 2s 7d, seller 3s; Mount Lyell, buyer 80s, seller 87s; North Farrell, buyer 4s 3d, seller 5s; Cornwall Coal, buyer 5s.

MELBOURNE, Sunday.

Among mining companies on the Exchange yesterday Broken Hill Block 10 sold at 44s 6d; South Broken Hill, contributing, 18s 7½d; ditto, paid, 25s, 25s 6d; Sulphide Corporation, 11s, 11s 1½d; New White Leads, 11d, 1s; Curtin and Davis, 9d; Chillagoe Railway and Mines, 3s 7d, 3s 1d; Mount Garnet Freehold, 26s; Copper Top, 5d; Briseis Tin Mines, 18s 4½d, 18s 3d; Brothers' Home No. 1, 4s 5d, 4s 6d; Glenfine South, 39s; Band and Loch, 1s 9d; Beehive and German Consolidated, 6s; Berry United, 2s; Duke of Wellington, 8d; Glenfine Consols, 6s; Main Leads North, 16s; M'Intyre's Quartz, 1s 3d, 1s 2d; South Star, 8d; South Victor, contributing, 2s; ditto, paid, 2s 4d, 2s 8d; Spring Hill Leads, 23s 6d, 24s 6d, 24s 3d, 25s 6d; Star of the East, 21s, 19s 9d; Sons of Freedom South, 4s 6d; Victor's Quartz, 21s.

KALGOORLIE YIELDS.

KALGOORLIE, Sunday.

The following January outputs are reported:—Lake View Consols: Furnaces treated 2626 tons for 2415oz.; Diehl plant, 6448 tons for 5934oz.; total, 9074 tons for 8394oz.; estimated value of bullion, £30,000. Hannan's Reward crushed 89 tons for 292oz.

Pomeroy's shaft at Hannan Oroya, north block, is down 700ft., and opening to pick up the continuation of the Associated rich shoot at that depth will be shortly started.

LONDON MINING MARKET.

LONDON, Feb. 9.

Mining quotations are:—

Associated Gold Mines, £2 1s 3d.
Broken Hill Proprietary, £1 16s.
Chillagoe Railway and Mines, 3s 9d.
Great Boulder, 20s 3d.
Ivanhoe, £8.
Lake View Consols, £4 7s 6d.
Mount Lyell, £4 6s 3d.
North Lyell, £1 11s 3d.
Briseis, 18s 6d.

QUEENSLAND GOLD RETURNS.

The following is a comparative statement of the yield of gold, with calls and dividends, for the month of January last, from the principal fields, as compiled by the Queensland Department of Mines:—

Charters Towers, 15,095 tons, 16,714oz.; tailings, 26,769 tons, 6365oz. Croydon, 1032 tons, 1478oz.; tailings, 1154 tons, 141oz. Clermont, 90 tons, 108oz., 380oz. alluvial, total 488oz. Coen, 11oz.; tailings, 480 tons, 380oz. Etheridge, 290 tons, 241oz., 29oz. alluvial, total 270oz.; tailings, 955 tons, 200z. Eidsvold, 40 tons, 19oz. Gympie, 6450 tons, [illegible]oz., 15oz. alluvial, total [illegible]; tailings, 115 tons, 73oz. Gladstone, 9oz. alluvial. Hodgkinson, 337 tons, 225oz. Jordan, 37oz. alluvial. Mount Morgan, 14,039 tons, 11,225oz. Palmer, 9 tons, 16oz., 54oz. alluvial, total 70oz. Ravenswood, Paradise, 29 tons, 27oz.; tailings, 430 tons, 24oz. Ravenswood, 1512 tons, 1213oz., 81oz. alluvial, total 1294oz.; tailings, 322 tons, 85oz. Rockhampton, 1051 tons, 61[illegible]oz., 29oz. alluvial, total 6[illegible]oz.; tailings, 960 tons, 380oz. Total: 71,225 tons, 52,432oz., 688oz. alluvial, total 53,120oz.

The yield for the month of January, 1901, was 40,298oz., and for January last, 53,120oz. Increase for the month of January last, 12,822oz. The yield for January, 1901, was equal to 2,[illegible]oz. of fine gold, and the yield for January last equal to 39,[illegible]oz. of fine gold.

Calls and dividends for January last were:—Charters Towers, calls £6623, dividends £23,016; Croydon, calls £1951, dividends nil; Gympie, calls £10,716, dividends £3300; Mount Morgan, calls nil, dividends £12,500; Ravenswood, calls £1877, dividends nil.

Returns for Cooktown, Horn Island, Mackay, Normanby, Tenningering, and Warwick are not yet available.

GOLD YIELDS.

Band of Hope crushed 300 tons for 443oz.
Brilliant Freehold, 147 tons for 45oz.
Brilliant St. George United, 1,[illegible] tons for 821oz.
Kelly's Queen, 270 tons for 228oz.
Queen Cross Reef, 318 tons for 294oz.

DIVIDENDS.

The following dividends have been declared, and are payable on the dates specified:—

Band of Hope (C.T.), 6d.
Brilliant Central, Charters Towers, 1s 3d, February 14.
Brilliant St. George United, 9d.
Jubilee, 6d, February 13.
Phœnix Eastern Tribute, 3d, February 10.
Queensland Menzies (W.A.), 6d, February 14.
South Glanmire and Monkland, 2s, February 10.
Sons of Freedom, 3d, February 17.
Tasmania G. M. Company, 1s, February 8.

GOLD DREDGING RETURNS.

Fish River Gold Dredging Company's dredge, for the week ended on Saturday, won 20oz. 2dwt. of gold.

REPORTS.

The manager of the British Broken Hill Proprietary Company, Limited, reports for the week ended Tuesday, February 4:—Blackwood shaft 500ft. level: The northeasterly drive was driven 13ft. for the week, making its total length 126ft. The face is now showing mica, intermixed with schistose rock, and the ground is much easier for working. Diamond drill: No. 2 bore was advanced 45ft. for the week, making a total depth of 150ft. The core is now showing quartzite rock. Howell shaft—500ft. level: The easterly drive was lengthened 11ft. for the week, making its total length 111ft. from the main crosscut. The face is showing poor lode material, and is emitting a little water. The westerly drive on the above level was advanced 15ft. for the week, making a total distance of 113ft. driven from main crosscut. This drive is still in good sulphide ore, and is also emitting water from the face. 600ft. level—North drive: Good progress continues to be made in this drive, which was advanced 12ft. for the week, making its total length 290ft. The sandstone mentioned in my last report has given way to country rock, which is softer and easier for working.

PARRAMATTA DISTRICT.

HARVEST FESTIVAL.

On Sunday harvest festivals services were held in St. John's Church, when the building was decorated with fruit and vegetables. The Ven. Archdeacon Gunther preached in the morning, and the Rev. J. A. Cooper in the evening. Special music was rendered on each occasion. In the evening the anthem "Praise, Oh Praise Our God and King" being sung. The musical portion of the service was under the conductorship of the organist (Mr. Alfred Barry).

GARDEN FETE.

The garden fete in aid of St. John's Organ Fund was continued on Saturday evening, when drawing-room concerts were given by the choir, the arrangements being under the supervision of Mr. Alfred Barry. The grounds were splendidly lit up, and the attendance was very satisfactory. The net proceeds amounted to about £60.

MILITARY.

H Company 3rd Infantry Regiment, Parramatta, was exercised in field movements on Saturday afternoon, in the park, under Captain Guyott. At the conclusion of the afternoon's work, the shooting badges for last year's musketry were presented. Sergeant Forsyth gained the Crown badge, and was also complimented on being the third highest scorer in the battalion.

ACCIDENT AT SANDOWN MEAT WORKS.

On Saturday evening a labourer named James Clancy, employed at the Sandown Meat Works, was admitted to the Parramatta District Hospital, suffering from severe injuries to his head, caused by a beam, which was being unloaded from a boat, striking him. About 20 stitches were put in the wounds.

BAND CONCERT.

On Sunday afternoon the Newtown Band, under the conductorship of Mr. George O'Shea, A.L.C.M., visited Parramatta and rendered a musical programme. There was a large audience. A collection was taken up on behalf of the Parramatta District Hospital.

TERALA-GLENROY EXCHANGE.

THE LAND BOARD'S DECISION.

The above case was heard at Moree before Messrs. F. Poate and J. F. Boydell, and the following decision given on Thursday afternoon:—

"This was an application by the Australian Mortgage Land and Agency Company (R. F. M. Eckford mortgagor) to surrender land in exchange for Crown land on Terala-Malaraway and Millie North (locally known as Glenroy) holdings. We report that under this exchange application 20,329½ acres are offered in surrender, which, with the exception of about 105 acres of portion 13 ph. Gehan, is in one block. This block is about 20 miles north of Moree, and can be subdivided into well-shaped farms. The whole area may be classed as good grazing land. The acting district surveyor considers it can be subdivided into seven farms, and as there are 12 farms adjoining he anticipates, if the exchange is approved, there will be 19 settlers in one bunch. In exchange for the 20,329½ acres offered in surrender, a like area is applied for. Of this area only about 6860 acres is held under license by the applicant, while the balance (about 13,470 acres) is held under license by the licensees of Malaraway, Gurley, and Dobikin. The land applied for is good grazing land, except about 5300 acres of block D, which is covered with belar scrub, but this can be made good grazing land by ringbarking, as the soil is of good quality. The main point in favour of the exchange proposal is the possible location of seven additional persons on improved and watered country, who, with those already living in the locality, would make a total of 19 settlers in one bunch. Should the exchange be approved there is no doubt the adjoining holders will make strenuous efforts to have areas added to their holdings under section 47, and with the assistance of able advisers their claims will be so set forth and pressed that it will be practically impossible to withstand them. We think it probable a large area of the surrender lands would be absorbed in this manner, and to that extent an area available for new settlement would, of course, be reduced. On the other hand, the land applied for is subject to No. 47th section claims and only to two 12th section claims, neither of which could exceed 2500 acres, while both, if allowed, would be subject to a residence condition of 10 years. We appraise the value of 20,329½ acres offered in surrender at £31,510, and the value of the 20,329½ acres applied for at £29,920. After full consideration we are of the opinion it would not be in the public interest to approve of this exchange application, and, therefore, recommend it be refused. Costs to date £70 3s 6d. Objections to the exchange were lodged by J. W. Eckford, H. J. J. Eckford, and Millie F. and S. Association. Mr. Zlotkowski appeared for and with these objectors. Mr. Pike appeared for the licensees of Gurley and Dobikin; the latter withdrew his objection. Mr. J. H. Carruthers appeared for and with applicant, R. F. M. Eckford. Mr. Thurburn appeared for the Crown."

ABSTRACT OF SALES BY AUCTION THIS DAY.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.

BRODRIBB and CO.—At 29 Brighton-street, Petersham, at 11, Piano, Furniture, Carpets, Paintings, Crockery, &c.
J. P. LISTER.—At the Rooms, at 11, Jewellery, Watches, Clothing, Boots, &c.; at 3, Jewellery, &c.
H. HAINS.—At 461 Riley-street, Surry Hills, at 11, Furniture, &c.
A. G. JENKINS.—At Evans-street, Balmain, at 11, Furniture, &c.
LEAN.—At Petersham Arcade, at 2.30, Furniture, &c.
A. EDGAR.—At 66 and 68 Oxford-street, at 2.30, Piano, Furniture, &c.
J. M. CANTY.—At Dora-street, Hurstville, at 2.30, Piano, Furniture, Paintings, Sewing Machine, &c.
H. LEVY.—At Walker's Stores, Dawes Point, at 11, Blacking, Whitelead, Cigarettes, &c.
MITCHELL and CRANSTON.—At 21 Vine-street, Redfern, at 10, Furniture, &c.; at 8 Evans-place, Surry Hills, at 11.30, Furniture, &c.
STRONGMAN and WATSON.—At Liverpool-road, Upper Bankstown, at 2, Piano, Furniture, &c.

WOOL AND STATION PRODUCE.

AUSTRALASIAN MORTGAGE and AGENCY CO.—At Sydney Wool Exchange, at 3, Wool.
PITT, SON, and BADGERY.—At Sydney Wool Exchange, at 3, Wool.

FARM AND DAIRY PRODUCE.

DENT and PERRY.—At Redfern station, at 9.15, Hay, Straw, &c.

HORSES, VEHICLES, AND HARNESS.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At the Bazaar, at 10.30, 11.30, and 12, Horses, Vehicles, &c.
STRONGMAN and WATSON.—At Liverpool-road, Upper Bankstown, at 2, Vehicles, &c.

MISCELLANEOUS.

DENT and PERRY.—At Newtown station, at 1, Wood, &c.; at Darling Harbour, at 8, Wood, &c.

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ORIENTAL MONARCHS.

(From the "Spectator.")

That is a most interesting account of Mulai Abd-ul-Aziz, the new Sultan of Morocco, which was published in the "Times" of Monday. The interviewer, unlike most interviewers who are admitted to audiences of Oriental Sovereigns, was able to converse with his host in his own tongue, Arabic, and understanding what his interlocutor said, naturally found him intelligent. Half our ideas of the "woodenness" of great Orientals are founded on conversations carried on through timid or incompetent interpreters. A certain surprise perhaps deepened the impression. The correspondent had expected to find the secluded Monarch "a typical expressionless Oriental," but found instead a dignified young man of 22, full of energy, intelligence, and charm, who maintained a bright conversation for an hour, and "had obviously gathered information on a host of subjects"; who is anxious to "introduce reforms in every branch of his government"; and is, in fact, worthy of a pedigree which stretches back through long lines of Sultans and nobles to the daughter of Mahommed, and of the vast, though barbarian regions in which his authority, theoretically at least, is absolute. If this statement is true, Morocco and Europe are both most fortunate—and we see no prima facie reason why it should not be true. Mulai Abd-ul-Aziz springs from a great Arab stock, though it has been crossed, we believe, with negro blood; and Eastern Courts, with all their seclusion and all their vices, do from time to time throw up men of strange force, like Solyman II., who nearly conquered Europe; or Akbar, who would have graced any European throne; or Ibrahim, of Egypt, the terrible soldier who so nearly ended the dominance of the house of Othman; or Abdurrahman Khan, who made the roads of Afghanistan as safe for all but his enemies as those of Surrey. There is no reason in the nature of things why Mulai Abd-ul-Aziz should not develop into a great ruler; and if he becomes one most of his internal difficulties will probably disappear. Orientals are always expecting and desiring a strong Sovereign, their hearts go out to him, and the order to slay his refractory courtiers is not only obeyed, but obeyed with willingness. The intriguants within the Palace succumb or perish, and far-away rebels see no farther reason for rebelling. If the master is terrible yet reasonable, severe yet accessible to mercy, what more have they to ask? He is God's vicegerent, and who are they to resist? What we are unable to accept in its full sense is the hope which his interview has evidently begotten in the mind of the "Times" representative. To deserve is not in the East to have. The position of a great Oriental ruler, always difficult, has in our time become almost impassable. He may be a man of intelligence, but he can hardly be so well educated as to understand at all completely the forces of his day. Oriental learning will not tell him that, nor will his tutors be able, or even willing, to convey it to his mind. Even if by some strange good fortune or prevenient grace in his own nature he grows up wise, as Akbar certainly did, he is still comparatively an ignorant man, and he must work through life by means of agents more ignorant than himself, and without his wisdom. He may beat down resistance as completely as Abdurrahman Khan did, but in beating it he strengthens the original curse of his situation—the tiger strength of will which comes to all despots not naturally weak. His counsellors become slaves, he has no equals abroad whose favourable opinion he desires, and he is almost sure to make enormous blunders, to drive his people too fast and too hard, though possibly in the right direction, or to be unable to yield when yielding is essential to continued prosperity. Abdurrahman Khan, it is true, made none of these blunders; but he had 11 years of exile, while they hardened his will into steel, had also given him the insight into comparative forces which most Orientals lack. The Asiatic who is bred a Sovereign, from childhood, is hampered in every direction by self-conceit, by imperfect knowledge, by a will he cannot fully master, and by forces all round him, always pressing, which he dimly perceives to be hostile, yet of irresistible strength. A sovereign of Morocco may have all that variety of capacities which marks William II. of Germany from other men, and a certain "fascination" besides, such as is attributed in the "Times" to Mulai Abd-ul-Aziz; but he has to coerce refractory tribes by massacre, to compel evil Viziers to be just by frequent executions, to raise means for more civilised government by taxes which his people resent, and amidst it all to conciliate half-a-dozen Powers whose protection makes of their subjects nuisances, and who, if they do not want his dominions, want concessions from him hardly consistent with his independence. He must stand ready to defeat invaders, rebels, and exacting friends; this forces him to sacrifice much to militarism, and the great soldiers, whom he must trust if he is to maintain himself in security, probably, of all his advisers, share least in his reforming ideas. It is an intolerable position, and one from which we can hardly believe that a young Arab Prince, long secluded in the depths of Morocco, however blessed with graces of nature, will be able to escape. We say this without reckoning the special difficulties of an Asiatic—the early life among slaves, the eternal and seductive flattery, the incurable influence of totally ignorant women, the inherent distaste for persistent labour, the overwhelming strength of impulses which are whims not based on reason or guided by it. Even the ablest of European princes, as we have said, if bred up to such a position, could hardly hope to make of it a permanent success.

The importance which the "Times" interviewer attributes to the personality of his Shereefian Majesty is not exaggerated, for it is only in the qualities of the Sultan that any hope can be perceived for Morocco, but it suggests once more the old political problem of the East. Why do all the brown and yellow peoples see hope only in the Sovereign, and therefore make him absolute? They are not fettered, out of Japan, by any theory of his descent from the gods. They care very little, out of Japan and Turkey, about his family claims. In China there has been a whole succession of dynasties. In India and Burmah new men have repeatedly risen to thrones. Mussulman history, apart from Turkey, is a history of rapidly succeeding dynasties. The brown people are by no means indisposed to rebellion, and have constantly rebelled successfully. They know quite well what good government is, and at a certain point of oppression, or over-taxation, or defiance of their prejudices, they resist quite as readily as Europeans, and, we should say, judging by history, with more frequent success. Outside of Japan, we know of no first-class dynasty in Asia that is a thousand years old. Yet whatever the cause of the rebellion or political movement, even if it is religious, there always emerges a Person, a dynast, to whom everyone submits, who has power of life and death, who can make a Premier by mere fiat, who can within the wide compass of the religious law even legislate as he pleases, order all women to have crushed feet, or massacre the whole of an army trusted for five centuries. The brown and yellow peoples have suffered unspeakably from tyrants, and they hate tyrants, yet no brown or yellow people, conscious of misgovernment and in arms against it, has ever set up a Senate, or an elected body, or even, Japan again excepted, a hereditary Mayor of the Palace under strong compulsion to govern fairly well. Now why is that? All these people understand their own interest, they all hold "advice" in great respect, and they all know how to limit power by opinion, so that certain opinions, usually religious, are never set at naught by the mightiest rulers; yet the systematic limitation of power by political law has never apparently occurred to men who, nevertheless, have included the most reflective of mankind. Even the Jews expected their ruler to be absolute, and so do the Chinese, though the latter are declared by all observers to be sensible, self-interested, comfort-loving people, and though they have for ages insisted that the greater agents of authority shall be educated men. The popular European explanation, that all brown men are fools, is merely a contemptuous form of acknowledging ignorance; and an explanation we have ourselves frequently offered, that they all, believing power to come from heaven, think it cannot be limited, does not fit all the facts, for they do limit it in certain directions quite stringently, as to taxation, for example. The Oriental Sovereign, for instance, who taxed his people as the Hapsburgs taxed Venice just before they lost it, or as we ourselves were taxed under the old economic regime, would be deprived of power, and probably of life, within a twelvemonth. Yet the dynast can always inflict death by fiat or confiscate a property for himself without provoking a rebellion. Why? Our own impression is that the Asiatic wishes his Sovereign to be absolute; that he is quite able to comprehend an alternative system, and is disgusted with it as inefficient, cumbrous, impotent to redress wrong, to break through legal obstacles towards a right end, above all, to act with lightning-like rapidity. His imagination shows him something better than a regime of law—a millennium, as it were, under an all-powerful and just King—and he will take trouble and run risks for nothing less. What he too often gets is an Abd-ul-Hamid more or less tempered by circumstances; but he puts up with that, and will no more abandon his own ideal because it produces tyranny than New York will abandon democracy because it produces Tammany Hall. His faith is above or outside results; or rather he is happy when the good King comes, and takes the bad one as he takes a famine, as part of an incomprehensible but inevitable order for which there is nothing but patience and submission.

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Municipal Elections.

BOROUGH OF DARLINGTON.

NOTICE is hereby given that Alderman S. P. H. COVER has been duly elected MAYOR for municipal year 1902-3.
JOHN WHITEHEAD, Council Clerk.
Town Hall, Darlington, 8th February, 1902.

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT OF MANLY.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following Gentlemen have been duly ELECTED as ALDERMEN and AUDITORS for the above Municipality:—

As Aldermen.

Wentworth Ward, JAMES FERGUSON WALKER.
Fairlight Ward, JACOB BENJAMIN MEYER.
Steyne Ward, HUGH ESPIE STEVENSON, J.P.

As Auditors.

FRANCIS HUNT and JOHN THOMAS BEVERLY WEDDERBURN.

E. W. QUIRK, Mayor and Returning Officer.
Council-chambers, Manly, 8th February, 1902.

BOROUGH OF RANDWICK.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following gentlemen were duly ELECTED ALDERMEN at the Annual Election 7th February, 1902:—
WEST WARD: JOHN CAMPBELL M'DOUGALL, of Eeasmere-street, Kensington.
COOGEE WARD: ARTHUR TREVOR D'ARCY IRVINE, of Boundary-street, Randwick.
I. B. HODGSON, J.P., Mayor and Returning Officer.
Town Hall, Randwick, 8th February, 1902.

BOROUGH OF WAVERLEY.

ELECTION OF ALDERMEN AND AUDITORS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following gentlemen have been duly ELECTED ALDERMEN and AUDITORS of the Borough of Waverley, viz.:

ALDERMEN:
BONDI WARD—THOMAS KERSEY NURTHEN, Esq., WAVERLEY WARD—OLIVER BARLEY, Esq. (unopposed).
NELSON WARD—WILLIAM HENRY SIMPSON, Esq., J.P. (unopposed).
LAWSON WARD—JOHN CARLISLE HUMPHREY, Esq.
(Each for three years.)

AUDITORS:
WILLIAM HENRY PERRY, Esq.
WILLIAM PETER DAWSON, Esq.
(Each for one year.)

W. CARTER, Mayor and Returning Officer.
Council-chambers, Waverley, 8th February, 1902.

BOROUGH OF WOOLLAHRA.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following gentlemen were yesterday duly elected aldermen as under:—
Paper Ward—THOMAS FAIRWEATHER.
Double Bay Ward—WILLIAM BELL.
W. F. LATIMER, Mayor and Returning Officer.
Council-chambers, Woollahra, February 8, 1902.

Meetings.

GIPPS WARD.

A MASS MEETING OF WORKERS will be held at the FEDERATION HALL, CHURCH-HILL, on MONDAY, 10th FEBRUARY, at 8 p.m. "TO DISCUSS THE ADVISABILITY OF TENEMENT BUILDINGS."
Aldermen F. NOLAN and R. G. WATKINS, Conveners.

PATRIOTIC PUBLIC MEETING.

TO-NIGHT, 8 p.m. TO-NIGHT, at 8 p.m.
TOWN HALL, SYDNEY,
under the auspices of
THE AUSTRALIAN NATIVES' ASSOCIATION.
HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR WILL PRESIDE.
J. NOBBS, M.L.A., President.
A. M'GUIRE, General Sec.

THE FEDERAL CAPITAL SITE.

A PUBLIC MEETING will be held in the TOWN HALL on THURSDAY EVENING NEXT, the 13th instant, at 8 o'clock, to urge the necessity of immediate action by the Federal Government to determine the site of the Capital.

The Chair will be taken by His Worship the MAYOR. The Hons. J. H. WANT and W. P. CULLEN, LL.D., Messrs. J. H. CARRUTHERS, JAMES ASHTON, M.L.A., and Messrs. H. S. BADGERY and JOHN YOUNG and others will speak to the resolutions.

SYDNEY INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS STUDENTS' SOCIETY.

Bligh-chambers, Bligh-street.

The Usual Monthly MEETING of this Society will be held at No. 36 O'Connell-street, THIS EVENING, at 8 o'clock.

Subject: "The appointment of a Receiver in a Partnership Suit."

H. YEWENS RUSSELL, Hon. Secretary.

L.O.L. OF N.S.W.—ANNUAL INSTALLATION of Grand Lodge Officers, Protestant Hall, TO-MORROW, Tuesday, 11th instant, at 8 p.m. All members are invited to attend. A. J. S. GILCHRIST, G.S.

STONEMASONS.—Special Meeting of the Sydney Lodge will be held in the Trades Hall, TO-MORROW, 8 p.m. Business: Consideration of a proposal to register under the Industrial Arbitration Act. J. GRANT, Sec.

THE SYDNEY MEAT-PRESERVING COMPANY Limited.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixty-second Half-yearly General MEETING of the Shareholders of this Company will be held at the Company's Head Offices, Mutual Life-building, Martin-place, Sydney, on WEDNESDAY, the 12th day of February, 1902, at noon.

To receive the Directors' Report and Balance-sheet to 31st December, 1901, and to transact any other business that may be brought before the meeting in conformity with the Deed of Settlement.

By order of the Board of Directors.
JOHN B. C. MILES, Secretary.
Mutual Life-building, Martin-place, Sydney, 28th December, 1901.

MITTAGONG LAND CO., Limited.—The MEETINGS of this Company, adjourned on 27th December last, will be held at the Company's Office, 82 Pitt-street, on TUESDAY, 11th February, at half-past 10 o'clock.
ROBERT GILFILLAN, Manager.

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SPORTING INTELLIGENCE

THE TURF.

Pony and galloway races will be held at Forest Lodge to-day, the first event starting at 2.15 p.m.

Kelso has Ireland's Eye looking very nice just now, and was able at Canterbury Park on Saturday to win a race with him. The opposition was weak, but it was apparent from the fact that the unreliable son of Gibraltar started in the Canterbury Handicap that Kelso thinks that the gelding is capable of annexing a good flat race, and no doubt he is if he would run honest.

Victory, a sister to Redavni, Ettebab, and Tom Cook, finished well in the Flying Handicap at Canterbury Park. She is undoubtedly very fast, able to hold her own for half a mile with our best sprinters, but her failing has hitherto been inability to stay over five furlongs. On Saturday she soon singled out from her field, and came up the straight full of running. The skilful way in which Bradshaw handled the mare had no doubt something to do with the result. Keys has Victory in fine racing condition at present.

A fine upstanding mare named Madge, a daughter of Medallion and Devotion, was backed for the Park Stakes at Canterbury Park on Saturday as if there was no doubt as to the result. The "good thing" was quite up to the expectations of the large army of backers, for, jumping away with the lead, she never left them in doubt at any part of the race. This mare has been racing in the western districts with a fair amount of success, and was a few months ago brought to Sydney by Edwards. She is in the same stable as Merralie, a son of Melos, and he, too, was in a winning humour, later in the day securing the Stewards' Mile quite as easily as Madge won her race. Merralie is a tall well-built gelding, who will be remembered racing here about two years ago.

Royal Purple had, previous to Saturday, disappointed many of her backers, not so much perhaps by want of ability to gallop, but by the number of times she had run into a place. She always encouraged them to put more on the next time, but with no better result. On paper she looked to have a good chance of winning the principal event at Canterbury Park on Saturday, and one would have expected to see her favourite, but the public had become chary of her, and the stable had lost confidence, so 6 to 1 was offering. Just as frequently happens when this state of things is reached, she won easily. Royal Purple was ridden a waiting race, and finished up the straight very fast. She is bred to stay, being by Nordenfeldt from The Queen, and now that she has tasted the sweets of victory once again may, in a measure, recompense her owner, Mr. E. Knight, for his heavy losses over her in the past.

Valento was an odds-on favourite for the Shorts Handicap at Canterbury Park on Saturday, and her backers were fortunate to be able to claim their money. Coming into the straight she was a long way in the lead, but lost a deal of ground by swerving out. Hartigan got her straight again in time, but about the half-distance she repeated the offence, and by good jockeyship Hartigan was just able to land her a winner by half a length.

It would appear from the report of the meeting of the Brisbane J.C. on Saturday that there has been a reconciliation effected with the Q.T.C., but there is no information as to the basis on which it has been arranged. Hitherto the best of our galloways have paid Brisbane a visit, and what between the racing at Eagle Farm and Albion Park have done fairly well in winning races. As things now stand it would seem as if both those places will be closed to them in the future.

Messrs. William Inglis and Son will at 12.30 p.m. to-day, at their City Bazaar, offer for sale by auction the racing pony Darkie.

The Tasmanian Turf Club made a profit of £912 16s 9d on its Summer Meeting.

Weights are due this forenoon for the events to be run at the Moorefield February meeting.

Entries for the events to be run at the Warwick Farm February meeting must be lodged with the secretary, Mr. G. Rowe, before 4 p.m. to-day. The will be found in the business portion of this paper.

Aurous and Moonbeam, as the result of their respective victories at the V.A.T.C. Autumn Meeting on Saturday, will have to carry penalties of 3lb. each in the V.R.C. Newmarket Handicap.

The full programme of the February meeting of the Newcastle Jockey Club, Limited, to be held on the 26th instant, appears in our advertising sheets to-day. Five events are set down for decision, and the prizes amount to £160. Entries close on Monday next, 17th instant.

THE MORNING GALLOPS.

The weather was cool at Randwick on Saturday morning and the greater part of the magpie track was in good order, but about three furlongs of it, where the hose had been lightly used, was dry and dusty. Before the usual time for beginning Earnshaw got the use of the track to work left-handed and galloped Sir Foot the reverse way over six furlongs. Beanba accompanied the English colt over the last part of the journey, and the pair were just finishing their gallop when the regulars arrived. Barragunda went about a mile at a sound pace, and a working gallop over five furlongs was allotted to Baccarat. Nymagee ran a mile well, leaving the last seven furlongs astern in 1 minute 34 seconds, and Juindo knocked off five furlongs in 1 minute 6 seconds, Hander II. taking 3 seconds longer over a similar distance. Tatterdemalion and Dahomey ran the last five of six furlongs in 1 minute 7¼ seconds, a go that was just equalled by Mafeking and Womerah. Downpour accounted for five furlongs in 1 minute 6 seconds, and Nickel beat a bay gelding by Metal by two, and Choker by four lengths over six furlongs in 1 minute 20½ seconds. Minion and Countess Hopetoun beat Zu by three lengths and Wyena by half a dozen over five furlongs, which were covered in 1 minute 6 seconds.

On the tan Blue Metal ran the last mile and a quarter of a mile and a half in 2 minutes 17 seconds. Warrior II. did a strong gallop over seven furlongs, and Ace of Diamonds easily held Horace at the end of a mile, the last six furlongs of which he ran in 1 minute 20 seconds. Over six furlongs Gratus, with the worst of the weights, ran clean away from Dalmore, who was ridden by young Cornwell, a boy about 6st 7lb. The Wallace filly went very freely, and beat the old horse by fully 20 lengths in 1 minute 19 seconds. Soldier was tried over the schooling hurdles, but cut a sorry figure. He got over a couple very awkwardly, and then he started to baulk, and twice shot the rider over his head while doing so, but the lad was not injured by the falls. After several unsuccessful attempts to get the horse over, the schooling was abandoned.

VICTORIA AMATEUR TURF CLUB.

AUTUMN MEETING.

AUROUS AND MOONBEAM IN GOOD FORM.

MELBOURNE, Sunday.

The autumn racing campaign here was opened on Saturday at Caulfield, when the Victoria Amateur Turf Club submitted its first programme in connection with its meeting, which will extend over three Saturdays. The weather was delightful, and the sport interesting. Backers made a good start when they selected Moonbeam as favourite for the Utopia Trial. Eminence was responsible for the good pace to the home turn, where he dropped out, and Moonbeam then ran to the front, easily stalling off the respective challenges of Presto and Mistral, and won with a length to spare. The field included Maister's brother Maelgwyn, but he was not in racing trim, and finished last. The betting over the Hurdle Race was practically confined to three, Victorian, Sir Joseph, and Rickshaw. Victorian found the pace too strong at the home turn, where Sir Joseph took command, and eventually won comfortably from Rickshaw. The winner bored Rickshaw out a little after crossing the last hurdle, but there was no actual interference, and an anticipated protest was not lodged. The Newmarket Handicap favourite, Aurous, was pulled out for the Woodcliff Handicap. Some people thought she might not stay out the mile and three furlongs, but her connections apparently had no doubt about it. She opened at 5 to 1 and it did not take long to get her down to 6 to 4, which was her starting price. Gosport was the only other one backed for money. Aurous, who was looking fresh and well, shot out approaching the home turn, and at once had the field in trouble. Fairyland went after her in the straight, but could never extend the Wallace filly, who won with a length and a quarter to spare. The win was an exceedingly easy one, and had the effect of firming the filly in the betting for the Newmarket Handicap, in which with a 3lb penalty she is still well handicapped at 7st 12lb. Chelsea was at a longer price at the close than at the opening of the betting for the Steeplechase. With 13st 3lb to carry the bookmakers evidently thought it good business to field against the grey, and at the word "Go" Mystery was as good a favourite. While Mystery won, Chelsea fell at the second last obstacle, and Sir Rupert Clarke's representative, Royal Mail, after being a long way in the rear for two miles, came very fast from the five furlongs post, and was only beaten by a head. He is the most promising "chaser" seen out for some time. Hawkdeen fell at the last of the stand treble the first time round and broke his neck. It was at first thought his rider, F. P. Glennan, was seriously injured, as the horse appeared to roll over him, but he, however, luckily escaped with a severe shaking and a few bruises. The Oakleigh Purse came next. Hibernian had been scratched over night, leaving 15 of the 16 acceptors to go to the post. Eleanor, a two-year-old filly in Scobie's stable, was always a good favourite. Donald was next in demand, and remained there until 10 minutes before the start, when he passed right out, and Moonbeam simultaneously made a forward move in the betting. Moonbeam had to carry a stone more than in the initial event, but he won almost as easily, with the unbacked Slatin second. Eleanor after getting away badly finished fast, and the same may be said of Donald, and both no doubt will be worth following. Myosotis was the backers' first choice for the Kooyong Welter, and at one time she looked going out a strong favourite. Before the barrier rose, however, she had experienced an Irishman's rise, for she was simply unmarketable at the finish, and in the race shaped indifferently. When Myosotis had retired Nikola came forward in the quotations, and Foulsham's gelding went out a red hot favourite. He performed badly in the race, which proved a gift to Wairiri, who was looking nice and fresh after her spell. Nitrate in running second shaped much better than he has done of late. Appended are the details of the racing:—

UTOPIA TRIAL

Of 150 sovs.; second 35, and third 15 sovs.; special weights. 6 furlongs.

Mr. Davis's br g Moonbeam, by Gossoon—Moonray, 3 years, 7st (H. Manning) ... 1
Mr. Catto's b f Presto, by Mostyn—Robinson Crusoe mare, 3 years (W. Minter) ... 2
Mr. Russell's br f Mistral, by Havoc—Aura, 3 years, 8st 4lb (G. Rose) ... 3

Other starters: Eminence, 8st 8lb (Murphy); Shadow Catcher, 7st (Foulsham); The Punter, 7st (Cooper); Royal Oak, 6st 7lb (Pennington); Mario, 6st 7lb (Sutherland); Maelgwyn, 6st 7lb (Turner); Shot and Shell, 6st 7lb (Richardson); Athame, 6st 7lb (Middleton); The Gaiety Girl, 6st 4lb (King); Posca, 6st 4lb (Carslake).

Betting: 2 to 1 v. Moonbeam, 4 to 1 v. Mistral, 6 to 1 v. Presto, 7 to 1 each v. Posca and Shot and Shell, 8 to 1 v. The Punter, 10 to 1 v. others.

Eminence, Moonbeam, and Presto formed the leading division till entering the straight, where Moonbeam took charge, and was closely followed by Eminence and Mistral. Moonbeam had shaken the field off at the half-distance, and won by a length from Presto, with Mistral half a length off third. Eminence, Shot and Shell, The Punter, and Posca were next, and Maelgwyn last. Time, 1 minute 17 seconds.

WARRIEN HURDLE

Of 200 sovs.; second 35 sovs., and third 15 sovs. 2 miles 64 yards.

Mr. W. Leonard's b g Sir Joseph, by Sir Oliver—Pinafore, 5 years, 10st (J. Sutherland) ... 1
Mr. S. F. Reynolds's br g Rickshaw, by Lochiel—Kickshaw, 6 years, 10st 11lb (A. Brewer) ... 2
Mr. J. R. Bremner's ch m Lily's Secret, by Padlock—Firebell, 4 years, 10st 3lb (F. Koops) ... 3

Other starters: Yale Lock, 12st 3lb (Bailey); Nansen, 10st 5lb (A. Cooper); Victorian, 10st 1lb (Cosgrove); Romany Lad, 10st 1lb (Hoysted); Corydon, 9st 5lb, including 5lb over (Curtin).

Betting: 5 to 2 v. Victorian, 7 to 2 each v. Rickshaw and Sir Joseph, 8 to 1 v. Corydon, 10 to 1 each v. Lily's Secret and Romany Lad.

Sir Joseph, Victorian, Romany Lad, and Rickshaw cut out the running during the first half mile. Romany Lad and Victorian then took charge and led past the judge's box, followed by Sir Joseph, Nansen, Rickshaw, and Corydon, with Yale Lock last. They left the straight in much the same order, and at the five furlongs post Victorian, Rickshaw, Romany Lad, and Sir Joseph were almost in line at the head of the field. Romany Lad took charge at the turn, but Sir Joseph was first into the straight and won easily by two lengths from Rickshaw, with Lily's Secret a length off third. Victorian, Romany Lad, and Nansen were next, and Corydon last. Time, 3 minutes 56¼ seconds.

WOODCLIFF HANDICAP

Of 250 sovs.; second 35 sovs., third 15 sovs. 1 mile and 3 furlongs.

Mr. C. L. Macdonald's ch m Aurus, by Wallace—Aura, 4 years, 7st 12lb (F. Dunn) ... 1
Sir Rupert Clarke's b or br m Fairyland, by Hova—Judy Mo, 4 years, 8st 12lb (W. Minter) ... 2
Mr. E. B. M'Keown's br g Australian, by The Australian Peer—Ophelia, 6 years, 9st (R. Lewis) ... 3

Other starters: Centurion, 8st 8lb (C. Moore); Cretonne, 8st 5lb (Dunford); Flagship, 8st 1lb (Richardson); Gosport, 7st 13lb (Murphy); Como, 7st (King); Honeybee, 7st 4lb (Fisher); Patronus, 7st (Sutherland); Lord Roberts, 6st 7lb (M. Dunn).

Betting: 6 to 4 v. Aurous, 9 to 2 v. Gosport, 8 to 1 each v. Fairyland, Como, and Flagship, 10 to 1 v. others.

Honeybee and Gosport were smartest off, and led out of the turn, followed by Flagship, Aurous, Cretonne, Como, and Lord Roberts. At the mile post Flagship was second to Honeybee, with Cretonne, Gosport, and Aurous next, and Centurion last. Aurous went to the front at the turn, and was followed into the straight by Fairyland, Flagship, Gosport, and Patronus. The leader held the field safe to the finish, winning by a length and a quarter from Fairyland, with Australian two lengths off third. Cretonne, Gosport, Como, Patronus, and Flagship were next, and Honeybee, Centurion, and Lord Roberts at the tail end. Time, 2 minutes 24¼ seconds.

SALISBURY STEEPLECHASE,

A handicap of 300 sovs.; second 50 sovs., third 20 sovs. 2½ miles.

Mr. James Robertson's b g Mystery, by Pell Mell—Zillah, aged, 11st 7lb (F. Burn) ... 1
Sir Rupert Clarke's ch g Royal Mail, by Postmaster—Flirtation, 4 years, 9st 10lb (Ferguson) ... 2
Mr. W. Bland's b g Dudley, by Umberto, aged, 9st 1lb, including 1lb over (Barbour) ... 3

Other starters: Chelsea, 13st 13lb (P. Regan); Quatre Bras, 10st 4lb (D. Allan); Thargo, 10st (W. Douglas); The Claimant, 9st 7lb, including 1lb over (Sutherland); Hawksview, 9st (F. P. Glennon).

Betting: 3 to 1 each v. Mystery and Chelsea, 5 to 1 each v. Thargo and Quatre Bras, 8 to 1 v. The Claimant, 10 to 1 v. others.

Hawksview, who went off with the lead, fell at the third fence, breaking his neck and injuring his rider (F. P. Glennon). The Claimant took up the running and led out of the straight, followed by Quatre Bras, Thargo, Dudley, Chelsea, and Royal Mail, with Mystery last. Quatre Bras led along the back, but at the sod wall Thargo took charge, with The Claimant, Dudley, Quatre Bras, and Mystery well up, and Chelsea several lengths off, with Royal Mail a bad last. Thargo retained the lead till the treble was left astern, when Quatre Bras assumed control, and led out of the straight, followed by Thargo, Dudley, Mystery, The Claimant, and Chelsea all well together. Chelsea fell at the sod wall. Mystery led at this point, but Thargo was again in command at the last fence, with Mystery second and Dudley and Royal Mail close up. Mystery was first into the straight hotly pressed by Royal Mail, and a fine finish ended in favour of Mystery by a head from Royal Mail, with Dudley six lengths off third. Thargo was fourth, and The Claimant and Quatre Bras next. Time, 5 minutes 32 seconds.

OAKLEIGH PURSE,

A handicap of 300 sovs.; second 35 sovs., third 15 sovs. out of the stake. 5½ furlongs.

Mr. E. Davis's br g Moonbeam, by Gossoon—Moonray, 3 years, 8st (Manning) ... 1
Mr. A. Miller's bl g Slatin, by Deerswood—L'Africaine, aged, 8st 10lb (Cosgrove) ... 2
Mr. F. T. Forrest's br f Eleanor, by Haut Brion—Trieste, 2 years, 7st 3lb (A. Richardson) ... 3

Other starters: Loch Fyne, 9st 1lb (Polson); Brio, 8st 9lb (W. Burn); Positive, 8st 4lb (R. Lewis); Latchkey, 8st (E. Turner); Hard-a-Lee, 7st 13lb (Murphy); Billah, 7st 11lb (Meredith); Touch It, 7st 11lb (A. Smith); Rienzi, 7st 3lb, including 10lb over (W. H. Ross); Ayr, 7st 7lb (Byrne); Lore, 7st 5lb (W. Ross); Cantala, 7st 4lb (E. Carter); Donald, 7st (A. Ferguson).

Betting: 5 to 2 v. Eleanor, 4 to 1 v. Moonbeam, 9 to 2 v. Touch It, 8 to 1 v. Latchkey, 10 to 1 v. Donald, 12 to 1 v. Brio, 15 to 1 v. others.

Latchkey was first away and led along the railway siding from Cantala, Lore, and Slatin, with Eleanor a little further astern. Rounding the turn Moonbeam moved up second to Latchkey, being followed by Lore, Slatin, Cantala, and Eleanor. Slatin was first into the straight, but was passed in the run home by Moonbeam, who won by a length from Slatin, who beat Eleanor by three-parts of a length for second place. Donald, Latchkey, Hard-a-Lee, Cantala, Brio, and Rienzi came next. Loch Fyne was last. Time, 1 minute 9¼ seconds.

KOOYONG WELTER,

A handicap of 200 sovs., second 35 sovs., third 15 sovs. 7 furlongs.

Mr. L. H. Darlot's b m Wairiri, by Malua—Spray, 5 years, 11st 1lb (A. P. Brewer) ... 1
Mr. Eden George's b g Nitrate, by Metal—Dora, 4 years, 9st 11lb (J. Barden) ... 2
Mrs. A. J. Thompson's b h Roi-de-Lis, by Bucktborpe—Fleur-de-Lis, 4 years, 10st 11lb (King) ... 3

Other starters: Myosotis, 10st 13lb (C. Parker); Malton, 10st 12lb (W. Redfearn); Linden, 10st 13lb, including 5lb over (J. Daniels); Lord Cureton, 10st 3lb (W. Burn); Nikola, 10st 3lb (A. E. Foulsham); Musgo, 9st 8lb (E. Turner); Gardner, 9st 7lb (A. Smith); The Geisha, 9st 3lb (J. R. Murphy).

Betting: 6 to v. Nikola, 7 to 1 v. Wairiri, 8 to 1 each v. Roi-de-Lis, Nitrate, and Lord Cureton, 10 to 1 v. others.

Nikola and Wairiri were first away, but were quickly passed by Roi-de-Lis, who led along the back from Nikola, Wairiri, The Geisha, and Linden. At the railway siding Nitrate slipped up second to Roi-de-Lis, and continuing the homeward movement Nitrate showed the way into the straight, followed by Wairiri, Nikola, and Roi-de-Lis. Wairiri dashed to the front at the distance, and won in a canter by four lengths from Nitrate, with Roi-de-Lis half a length off third. Nikola, The Geisha, Linden, Malton, and Myosotis were next, with Musgo last. Time, 1 minute 32 seconds.

VICTORIAN TRAINING NOTES.

CAULFIELD

MELBOURNE, Saturday.

The air was inclined to be a bit sharp this morning, and the sand being a little dry everything was in favour of making fast time. Maharani, Mercutio, and Woori merely trotted, but Man of Honour and Viola hit out over five furlongs in 1 minute 9¼ seconds. Urbanity assisted Fusilette the middle portion of a mile and a quarter run in 2 minutes 22 seconds. Cordite, following in their wake, took 2 minutes 26 seconds. Drawbridge and Loch Sly went nicely for six furlongs, traversed in 1 minute 21¼ seconds. Yan Yean and Curfew Belle did striding work for seven furlongs, recorded in 1 minute 40 seconds. Sunset showed a lot of pace for five furlongs, put behind in 1 minute 4½ seconds. Gamma and Novus finished up five furlongs at the turn in 1 minute 9 seconds, Farewell taking 1 minute 11 seconds. Classicie did some easy pacing. Veloce went about half-pace on the tan. The Idler ran six furlongs in even time. Orna, Commander, and Heiress took 1 minute 7¼ seconds for five furlongs. Speculation (lightweight) ran four furlongs on the tan in 52 seconds. Be Off travelled a furlong further in 1 minute 8 seconds. Heloise went in her usual taking style for six furlongs in 1 minute 21¼ seconds. Robert Bruce was credited with a furlong less in 1 minute 13 seconds. Ampier was not trying to make time over six furlongs, which occupied 1 minute 22 seconds. Fortune Teller, still sore, did his usual jog round.

FLEMINGTON.

It was quite cool this morning at Flemington, while the tracks were in first-rate order. Royal Mail showed pace by keeping United States company for half a mile run on the tan in 55¼ seconds. The latter went on by himself for a mile more, completing his first mile in 1 minute 52¼ seconds, and the full journey in 2 minutes 55¼ seconds. La Carabine did half pace exercise. Flagship and Mystery spurted, and Kaimate did good striding work. Wakeful (F. Dunn) after some easy pacing spurted over a long three furlongs on the tan in the exceptional time of 39¼ seconds. Revenue (F. Dunn) did some good half pacing on the tan, and finished up by stretching out for half a mile in 55¼ seconds. Tip Top went tremendously fast in the early stage of a spurt over five furlongs on the sand in 1 minute 5¼ seconds. Independence did useful pacing and Strata Florida beat Onslaught over five furlongs in 1 minute 11¼ seconds. Fishery went easily. Milner, Still Water, Hoop Iron, and Man o' War were not required to do very much, but Grassnan and Brakpan, who looks fresh and well, spurted over four furlongs in 52¼ seconds on the sand. Billali, much improved in appearance, ran five furlongs at about three-quarter pace. Australian spurted and Tarquin did half pacing. Barbarossa started off sorely, but improving as he went along ran once round the sand in 2 minutes 27 seconds. The last mile took 1 minute 52 seconds. Flintlock did a useful working gallop round the sand in 3 minutes 41 seconds. From a standing start Eleanor and Rienzi ran along three furlongs in 41¼ seconds. Carinthia was not given her head in a mile on the tan in 1 minute 50¼ seconds. Gazelle did a good, useful working gallop over a mile on the tan in 1 minute 56 seconds. Haymaker went nicely round the sand in 2 minutes 37¼ seconds. The Union Jack did three-quarter speed work on the tan. Insect, who was very fractious and hangs out badly, went very fast at the beginning of five furlongs on the sand run in 1 minute 5 seconds, and finished several lengths in front of Webbe. Oakwood and Town Clock went strongly. The Victory easily ran a mile in 1 minute 51¼ seconds. Niphetos got over three furlongs in 42 seconds. Roi-de-Lis went well and ran a long half-mile on the tan in 55¼ seconds. Cardinal slowed down considerably at the finish of six furlongs in 1 minute 23¼ seconds. Mylie again went in her very best form for five furlongs in 1 minute 4¼ seconds on the sand. Tiber went in a very taking manner a round of the sand in 2 minutes 40¼ seconds, the last mile taking 1 minute 51¼ seconds.

CANTERBURY PARK RACE CLUB.

The February meeting at Canterbury on Saturday, being favoured with fine weather, was well attended, and a good afternoon's sport was provided, the favourites in most instances winning. In the Hurdle Race a couple of the competitors fell, J. Montgomery, who had the mount on Wilderness, receiving a slight concussion of the brain. The arrangements, under the supervision of the secretary, Mr. W. L. Davis, were carried out in the usual satisfactory manner. Appended are the results of the racing:—

HURDLE RACE

Of 69 sovs. and sweepstake of 24s; second 10 sovs. About 2 miles.

Mr. W. Kelso's b or br g Ireland's Eye, by Gibraltar—Blowing Stone (imp.), 5 years, 10st 6lb (T. E. Cunningham) ... 1
Mr. R. R. Hughson's b g Booby, 6 years, 10st 6lb (R. M'Nally) ... 2
Mrs. M. Ellis's br g Tri d'Or, 6 years, 10st 12lb (J. M'Curley) ... 3

Other starters: Dainty II., 9st 7lb; Wilderness, 9st 5lb, including 3lb over; Melossi, 9st.

Betting: 6 to 4 v. Ireland's Eye, 2 to 1 v. Booby, 6 to 1 each v. Tri d'Or and Wilderness, 10 to 1 v. others.

Wilderness made play, followed by Ireland's Eye and Booby, and passing the stand for the first time Wilderness had three lengths' advantage from Booby, Tri d'Or, and the favourite, with Melossi a bad last. Wilderness increased his lead to 10 lengths along the back stretch, where Dainty II. ran into second place, but came to grief over the obstacle near the half-mile post. Still with a commanding lead, Wilderness rounded the bend and came past the stand, but Ireland's Eye and Booby closed on him down the hill, and as they turned into the back stretch Ireland's Eye got his head in front. The fence at the half-mile post brought down Wilderness, who interfered with Tri d'Or. Ireland's Eye rounded the bend with Booby at his girths, the others being beaten off, and holding Booby in safety in the run home the favourite won by two lengths. Tri d'Or was 25 lengths off, and Melossi cantered in. Time, 3 minutes 56 seconds.

FLYING HANDICAP

Of 60 sovs. and sweepstake of 24s; second 10 sovs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. E. Keys's br m Victory, by Invader—Babetta, 6 years, 7st 4lb (W. Bradshaw) ... 1
Mr. H. Oxenham's ch g T.M.S., 3 years, 7st 11lb (W. H. Smith) ... 2
Mr. T. Payten's b g Goldwing, 4 years, 7st 4lb (F. Hickey) ... 3

Other starters: Coralie, 9st; Santoi, 8st 10lb; Blue Cap, 7st 11lb; Hazel Girl, 7st 4lb; Argo, 7st; Alice M'Carthy, 6st 12lb.

Betting: 2 to 1 v. Blue Cap II., 3 to 1 v. Victory, 4 to 1 v. T.M.S., 6 to 1 each v. Santoi and Argo, 10 to 1 v. others.

T.M.S., Victory, and Blue Cap II. broke the line, but at the end of a furlong Blue Cap II. and Victory were disputing the lead two lengths from T.M.S. and Goldwing, who were succeeded by Santoi, Alice M'Carthy, Hazel Girl, and Argo. Along the back Victory drew out and passed the half-mile post four lengths from the favourite, who had T.M.S., Santoi, Goldwing, and Argo in his wake. Victory increased her lead to six lengths as they rounded the bend, and turned into the straight four lengths from T.M.S., Argo, and Goldwing. Coming on at her ease Victory passed the judge's box three lengths from T.M.S., who beat Goldwing by half length for second place. Argo and Santoi succeeded the placed horses, and they were followed by Hazel Girl and Blue Cap II., with Alice M'Carthy at the tail of the hunt. Time, 1 minute 15¼ seconds.

PARK STAKES

Of 60 sovs. and sweepstake of 24s; second 10 sovs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. C. Ecir's ch f Madge, by Medallion—Devotion, 3 years, 7st 4lb (J. Hartigan) ... 1
Mr. E. Keys's br g War Cloud, 6 years, 8st (W. Bradshaw) ... 2
Mr. R. O'Connor's blk f Miss Robinson, 3 years, 6st 6lb (A. Hood) ... 3

Other starters: Beaupatch, 8st 2lb; Vatican, 8st 3¼lb, including 1¼lb. over; Bengal, 8st; Irish King, 8st; Elvina, 7st 10lb; Tickler, 7st 10lb; Alwaya, 7st 7lb; Seafarer, 7st 7lb; Boudoola, 7st 7lb; Cataract, 7st 4lb; Archie Belle, 7st 4lb; Peerless, 7st 4lb; Grafnell, 7st 4lb.

Betting: Even money on Madge, 4 to 1 v. Tickler, 6 to 1 v. Bengal, 8 to 1 v. War Cloud, 10 to 1 v. Beaupatch.

Tickler, Madge, and War Cloud moved off in front, but when fairly on their legs the favourite drew out and led along the back stretch two lengths from War Cloud, who was succeeded by Tickler, Elvina, and Bengal, with Cataract and Irish King at the head of the others. Rounding the bend Madge increased her lead to three lengths from War Cloud, Tickler, Miss Robinson, and Cataract, and save that Miss Robinson went into third place there was no change in the run home, Madge winning by three lengths from War Cloud, with Miss Robinson two lengths off, and succeeded by Tickler, Elvina, Grafnell, and Peerless, with Archie Belle, and Cataract bringing up the rear. Time, 1 minute 17 seconds.

STEWARDS' MILE

Of 60 sovs. and sweepstake of 24s; second 10 sovs. 1 mile.

Mr. C. Ecir's br or blk g Merralie, by Melos—Coralie, 6 years, 8st 10lb (W. Bradshaw) ... 1
Mr. W. Kelso's br m Theodora, 6 years, 8st 3lb (M. Harris) ... 2
Mr. R. Richards's b m Spring Rose, 5 years, 9st 6lb (E. Cleal) ... 3

Other starters: Whakawatea, 10st 6lb; Geneva, 8st 6lb; Doreen, 8st 3lb; Planet, 7st 11lb; Lady Buller, 7st 7lb; Hilda, 7st 7lb; Kitty Sharp, 7st 7lb.

Betting: 7 to 4 v. Merralie, 4 to 1 each Lady Buller and Planet, 7 to 1 each Spring Rose and Geneva, 8 to 1 Theodora, 10 to 1 others.

Whakawatea, Spring Rose, and Geneva were the first away, and passing the stand Whakawatea was showing just in front of Geneva, Planet, and Merralie, with Spring Rose and Hilda at the head of the others, while Lady Buller and Kitty Sharp acted as whippers-in. Down the hill Planet and Geneva headed Whakawatea, after whom succeeded Merralie, Spring Rose, Hilda, and Theodora. Whakawatea faded out of it along the back stretch, and at the half-mile post Planet was leading Geneva by a neck, Doreen and the favourite being just in their wake. As they rounded the bend the favourite took charge, was not afterwards troubled, and won easily by four lengths from Theodora, who was two lengths in front of Spring Rose. Lady Buller was close up, fourth, followed by Planet, Whakawatea, Doreen, Hilda, and Geneva, with Kitty Sharp a bad last. Time, 1 minute 44¼ seconds.

CANTERBURY HANDICAP

Of 100 sovs. and sweepstake of 2 sovs.; second 20 sovs. 1¼ mile.

Mr. E. H. Knight's br m Royal Purple, by Nordenfeldt—The Queen, 6 years, 8st 5lb (L. Want) ... 1
Mr. W. R. Riley's ch g Bira, aged, 7st 7lb (P. Houseman) ... 2
Mr. R. Wootton's b m Queen of Sheba, 4 years, 7st (E. Courtney) ... 3

Other starters: Lady Darling, 7st 7lb; Wallogorang, 7st 3lb; Portague, 7st; Bonnie Boy, 7st 2lb, including 2lb over; Eulowrie, 6st 10lb; Ireland's Eye, 6st 13¼lb, including 3¼lb over; Merlina, 6st 10lb.

Betting: 2 to 1 v. Queen of Sheba, 5 to 1 each v. Wollogorang and Bira, 6 to 1 each v. Merlina and Royal Purple, 8 to 1 v. Lady Darling, 10 to 1 v. Bonnie Boy.

Royal Purple was smartest off the mark, but when fairly going, Bira took command from Bonnie Boy, and the pair turned into the straight attended by Ireland's Eye and Queen of Sheba. As they passed the stand Bonnie Boy had a slight lead from Ireland's Eye, Queen of Sheba, Wollogorang, and Bira, and going down the hill Bonnie Boy was still in charge, with the favourite at his heels, succeeded by Wollogorang, Bira, Ireland's Eye, Portague, and Royal Purple. That order was preserved past the half-mile post and round the bend, but as they entered the straight Royal Purple on the outside ran up next to Bonnie Boy and the favourite, while Portague and Bira were showing prominently on the rails just in front of Merlina. Royal Purple got level with Queen of Sheba inside the distance, whence a great battle was fought out, ending in favour of Royal Purple by half a length from Bira, who had Queen of Sheba at his throat-strap. Portague and Merlina were close up next, succeeded by Bonnie Boy and Wollogorang, with Eulowrie bringing up the rear. Time, 2 minutes 11¼ seconds.

SHORTS HANDICAP

Of 60 sovs. and sweepstake of 24s; second 10 sovs. 6 furlongs.

Mr. D. Seaton's br f Valento, by Haut Brion (imp.)—Lady Helena, 3 years, 9st 6lb (J. Hartigan) ... 1
Mr. E. Keys's br g War Cloud, 6 years, 8st 7lb (W. Bradshaw) ... 2
Mr. H. Dargin's br m Choir Girl, 5 years, 8st 8lb (E. Huxley) ... 3

Other starters: Redeemed, 10st 4lb; Bristol Bill, 9st 6lb; Negrito, 8st 11lb; New Jersey, 8st 7lb; Marquis, 8st 7lb; Lucifer, 8st 7lb; A.J.S., 8st 8lb, including 1lb over.

Betting: 5 to 4 on Valento, 5 to 1 v. War Cloud, 6 to 1 v. Choir Girl, 7 to 1 v. Bristol Bill, 10 to 1 v. others.

The favourite jumped off in front, attended by War Cloud, Choir Girl, and Lucifer, but at the end of the first furlong the last-named ran up to the heels of the leader, who increased his advantage to two lengths as they raced along the back stretch. Valento, Lucifer, and War Cloud, with gaps of a couple of lengths separating them, came round the bend followed by Choir Girl and Redeemed, and so they entered the straight, where War Cloud melted out of it, and the favourite, though he ran unkindly, managed to stall off Lucifer and beat him by half a length, while Choir Girl was a neck away third, Marquis was close up fourth, followed by Bristol Bill and New Jersey, with A.J.S. and Negrito a long way out of it. Time, 1 minute 17¼ seconds.

BRISBANE JOCKEY CLUB.

BRISBANE, Sunday.

Owing to a reconciliation with the Q.T.C. the last unregistered meeting of the Brisbane Jockey Club was held yesterday in fine weather. There was a fair attendance. An amount of £485 passed through the totalisator. For suspicious riding in the Trial Stakes Transvaal, with the owner (W. Greenwood) and the rider (T. Blake) were disqualified for 12 months; and for a like offence in the Flying Handicap Snowdon, with his rider, J. Parry, was similarly dealt with. The result of the principal event was as follows:—

Park Handicap.—The Martin, by Martini-Henry—Dame Durden, 9st 2lb (Mooney), 1; Hampden, 8st 7lb (Gough), 2; Splash, 7st 5lb (Roberts), 3. Swift also started. The Martin was favourite at even money. Won by three-quarters of a length. Time, 1 minute 48¼ seconds. Dividend, 10s 6d.

FOREST LODGE PONY AND GALLOWAY RACES.

Following are the results of the pony and galloway races held at Forest Lodge on Friday last:—

Thirteen-two Handicap of 30 sovs., 3½ furlongs.—H. Skinner's Cameo, 8st 2lb (F. Purnell), 1; Jerome, 7st 13lb, 2; Bobadil, 7st 10lb, 3. Ten started. Betting: 5 to 4 v. Jerome, 3 to 1 v. Bobadil, 7 to 1 each v. Cameo and Albany. Won by a length. Time, 49¼ seconds.

Fourteen-three Handicap of 15 sovs., 4½ furlongs.—W. Woodham's Elwyn, 7st 12lb (N. Scanlon), walk over.

Fourteen-one Handicap of 15 sovs., 4½ furlongs.—R. Greer, jun.'s Prioress, 8st 1lb (W. Cartwright), 1; Zelda, 6st 9lb, 2; Harmony, 9st 1lb, 3. Seven started. Betting: 2 to 1 v. Disfigured, 3 to 1 each v. Myalba and Forget-me-not, 4 to 1 v. Zelda, 5 to 1 v. Harmony, 10 to 1 v. Prioress. Won by a length. Time, 1 minute 3¼ seconds.

Trial Stakes (15.0, of 15 sovs., 4½ furlongs.—M. Griffin's Rosebank, 7st 10lb (F. Purnell), 1; King Bee, 8st 3lb, 2; Metalloid, 8st 3¼lb, including 3¼lb over, 3. Seven started. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Rosebank, 3 to 1 v. King Bee, 4 to 1 v. Encore. Won by two lengths. Time, 1 minute 3 seconds.

Thirteen-three Welter Handicap of 25 sovs., 4 furlongs.—R. Lysaght's Kallenite, 8st 12lb (R. Hughes), 1; Jealousy, 8st 1lb, 2; Gold Boy, 8st 1lb, 3. Eight started. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Gold Boy, 2 to 1 v. Jealousy, 4 to 1 v. Kallenite, 6 to 1 v. Waxy. Won by a length and a quarter. Time, 53 seconds.

The following handicaps have been declared for the pony and galloway races to be run to-day:—

Fourteen Hands Handicap, 4 furlongs.—Maltese, 8st 7lb; Kitty B, 8st 5lb; Kallenite, 8st 4lb; Scotch Mixture, 8st 3lb; Yellow Mantle, 8st 2lb; Inverness, 8st; Jealousy, 7st 5lb; Lucky Boy, 6st 9lb.

Thirteen-two Handicap, 4½ furlongs.—Indian, 9st 13lb; Pop, 9st; Cameo, 8st 8lb; Grace, 8st; Ivy II., 8st; Jerome, 7st 13lb; Hopetoun, 7st 13lb; Jenny Sly, 7st 10lb; Sleep, 7st 2lb; My Jane, 7st.

Fourteen-two Handicap, 4 furlongs.—The Comet, 8st 12lb; Crusty, 8st 10lb; Disfigured, 8st 12lb; Elwyn, 8st 8lb; Pure Gold, 8st 4lb; King Bee, 8st 4lb; Destination, 8st; Rivulet, 7st 12lb; Paddy Melon, 7st 11lb; Myalba, 7st 7lb; Nada, 7st 6lb; Kaila Kaila, 7st 3lb; Forest Dew, 7st; True Love, 7st.

Time Handicap Trot, 1½ mile.—Queen Tuxedo, scratch; Irvington, Jun., scratch; Bramble, scratch; Music, scratch; Boori, 2 seconds behind; Flower Boy, 2 seconds behind; O. I. C., 3 seconds behind; Rusdon, 4 seconds behind; Fidget, 9 seconds behind; Snap, 10 seconds behind; Ella G., 11 seconds behind; George, 15 seconds behind.

Forest Lodge Handicap (13.0), 5½ furlongs.—Battler, 9st; Lord Prix, 8st 12lb; S. R., 8st 10lb; Pyree, 8st 8lb; Picture, 7st 12lb; Conargo, 7st 10lb; Bonny, 7st 8lb; Jenny Lind, 7st 6lb; Jasper, 7st 5lb; Fair Play, 7st 3lb; Adelaide Ascot, 7st; Prioress, 6st 12lb.

WALLSEND JOCKEY CLUB.

NEWCASTLE, Sunday.

The February reunion of the Wallsend Jockey Club took place yesterday afternoon. There was a large attendance of patrons, and special trains and trams were run for the convenience of the visitors from Newcastle. Appended are the details:—

Short's Handicap of 30 sovs., 6 furlongs and 20 yards.—Mr. J. Campbell's Milli, by Far Niente—Galvina, 8st 4lb (Crimp), 1; Mr. J. B. Barclay's Rowdy, 7st 6lb, (J. Barclay), 2. There were six other starters. Betting: 3 to 1 v. Nicodemus, 4 to 1 v. Milli, 5 to 1 v. Turquini. Nicodemus finished first, a length ahead of Mills, but was disqualified. Time, 1 minute 19¼ seconds.

Flying Welter Handicap of 35 sovs., 6 furlongs and 20 yards.—Mr. G. Wilson's Floride, by July—Florrie, 8st 12lb (Quinn), 1; Mr. Henston's Rock-harbour, 9st 1lb (Farrell), 2; Mr. Arthur's Hope, 7st 7lb (Brown), 3. Seven others also started. Betting: 6 to 4 v. Floride, 3 to 1 v. Rock-harbour, 5 to 1 v. Reunella, 7 to 1 v. Redluck. Won by barely half a length. Time, 1 minute 19¼ seconds.

Town Plate, of 50 sovs., 1 mile.—Mr. R. Hector's br g Flashlight, by Pushka—Nina, 6 years, 7st 12lb (M'Carthy), 1; Mr. Chambers's Milli, 8st 5lb (Crimp), 2; Mr. Hamer's Turquini, 8st 2lb (Walker), 3. There were four other starters. Betting: 5 to 4 v. Exile, 4 to 1 v. Flashlight, 8 to 1 v. Milli, 10 to 1 v. others. Flashlight took command in the straight and won comfortably with a couple of lengths to spare. Time, 1 minute 46¼ seconds.

Borough Handicap, of 25 sovs., 6 furlongs and 20 yards. Dr. Bowker's Stanser, by Goldsbrough—Bona Vista, 8st (Fisher), 1; Mr. T. Galvey's The Lad, 8st (Brooks), 2; Mr. Jewell's Springfield, 6st 12lb (M'Crimmon), 3. Six others started. Betting: 6 to 4 v. The Lad, 3 to 1 v. Stanser, 4 to 1 v. Archibald, 8 to 10 to 1 v. others. Won with perfect ease. Time, 1 minute 19 seconds.

Final Handicap of 30 sovs., 7 furlongs.—Mr. Stacey's Tatcho, by Milston—Acolyte mare, 8st (Crimp), 1; Mr. Estell's Weronga, 8st 8lb (Sullivan), 2; Mr. Trevallyn's Megara, 8st 3lb (Kenny), 3. There were seven other starters. Betting: 2 to 1 v. Floride, 7 to 2 v. Velvet, 6 to 1 each v. Betha and Rowdy. A close contest resulted in a win by a neck. Time, 1 minute 32¼ seconds.

COILA RACES.

MORUYA, Sunday.

The Coila annual race meeting took place on Thursday on the Moruya course. The meeting was postponed from the 27th ultimo to be held at Moruya owing to the bad state of the Coila course. The results were as follows:—

Opening Handicap, 6 furlongs.—Mr. Costin's Ennismore, by Ennistymore, 7st 5lb, 1; Mr. Lucas's Mandoline, 8st 10lb, 2; Mr. Rixon's Ivy, 7st 8lb, 3.

First Hack Race.—Mr. M'Cauley's Emerald, 8st 10lb, 1; Mr. Constable's Alcahest, 8st, 2; Mr. Mooney's Predictor, 7st, 3.

Coila Handicap.—Mr. O'Farrell's J.R., by Clarion, 9st 5lb, 1; Mr. Costin's Ennismore, 7st 6lb, 2; Mr. Keating's Counterpoint, 8st, 3.

Second Hack Race.—Mr. Geelan's Predictor, by Martini-Henry, 7st, 1; Mr. Lucas's Rifle, 9st 5lb, 2.

Park Stakes.—Mr. Lucas's Mandoline, by Birragambil, 9st 5lb, 1; Mr. Keating's Sunbeet, 6st 11lb, 2; Mr. Mooney's Barrister, 8st 7lb, 3.

Final Handicap.—Barrister, 8st, 1; Predictor, 6st 8lb, 2; Alcahest, 7st, 3.

BELMORE PONY AND GALLOWAY RACES.

The following weights have been declared for the pony and galloway races to take place to-morrow:—

Trial Stakes.—O.K. II., 9st 12lb; True Love, 8st 3lb; Marie Lloyd, 8st; Prairie Boy, 8st; Belmore Maid, 7st 13lb; Lochme, 7st 7lb.

Fourteen Hands Handicap.—Templar, 8st 7lb; Black Pearl, 8st 7lb; Nellie Moore, 8st 5lb; Jack (late Little John), 8st 2lb; Victor, 8st; Verda, 7st.

Fourteen-two Handicap.—W.A., 10st 7lb; Victoria, 8st 11lb; True Love, 8st 3lb; Rosy Morn, 8st 2lb; Marie Lloyd, 8st; Federal Forge, 7st 9lb; Lady Belmore, 7st 7lb.

Thirteen-two Handicap.—Sleep, 9st 13lb; Good Child, 8st 5lb; Bala, 7st 13lb; Zulu, 7st 6lb; Eclipse, 7st 3lb; Dumpy (late Lady Comet), 7st 3lb.

Belmore Handicap.—Sinking Fund, 9st 11lb; Spinaway, 8st 7lb; Captain, 9st 4lb; O.K. II., 8st 3lb; Skipper, 8st 8lb; Swell, 8st 7lb; Fair Play, 8st; Albion, 7st 10lb; All There, 7st 7lb; S.E., 7st.

POLO.

COOMA, Friday.

The Cooma Polo Club will hold a gymkhana on March 5.

GOLF.

AUSTRALIAN GOLF CLUB.

The tie for the Summer Cup was played off on Saturday, when Mr E. B. Dewhurst beat Mr. W. P. Martin and won the cup. Mr. Dewhurst's score was 3 up on the two rounds.

A handicap, limited to members with handicap of 12 and upwards, was also played. The best cards handed in were:—

C. T. Metcalfe	95	— 15	=	80
E. K. Satchell	105	— 25	=	80
W. Tilley	102	— 15	=	87
F. M. Thallon	110	— 18	=	92

MARRICKVILLE GOLF CLUB.

A bogey match was played on Saturday, with the following results:—

T. J. Ablcorn, handicap 14	1 down.
R. Aitken, handicap 9	5 down.
A. T. Jones, handicap 13	5 down.
E. Ashdown, handicap 14	6 down.
E. W. Boake, scratch	8 down.
W. Vicars, handicap 22	8 down.

CRICKET.

THE LOCAL COMPETITIONS.

CURTIS 154, H. DEERY 113.

MARSH EIGHT FOR 34.

Rounds in the grade competitions were begun on Saturday under pleasant weather conditions. At the Sydney Cricket Ground Waverley met Paddington. The former scored moderately, the innings yielding 223. Mackenzie was unfortunately run out when batting very nicely, and his was the only wicket down when the total was just on 80, but here Trumper retired in favour of Lloyd, a comparatively new lefthander with an easy style, and a great change came over the Waverley innings. Newell was bowled by him, and the same fate befel Stubbins and C. Gregory, the cost for the third wicket being about eight runs. He finally secured four wickets for 57. M. A. Noble claimed the remaining five at a cost of 80. Paddington have lost two wickets for 32. At Burwood Marsh again proved unplayable. He accounted for no fewer than eight of the local club for a cost of only 34, and took his first five wickets for nil. The Burwood innings closed for 85. Sydney opened badly, losing three wickets for a few, but Evers and Deery soon put the result beyond doubt, and Cowper also played a good innings. Deery in his 113 did some great hitting. Nine times he lifted the ball over the fence for five, and his total also included 13 fourers. Redfern, without Poidevin, who was playing at Bathurst against the Englishmen, registered the big total of 350 against Central Cumberland, for which Curtis with 154 was mainly responsible. The smallness of the Redfern oval is, however, in favour of fast scoring. Glebe have made a good start against Leichhardt-Balmain with 191 to three wickets for 52. Meares was got rid of rather cheaply. Duckworth was in good bowling form for Leichhardt-Balmain.

There was a good deal of disappointment over the non-appearance of several of the North Sydney team at the Sydney Cricket Ground on Saturday. That club had the bye in the first grade competition, and therefore were to have met the team got together by the trustees of the ground, who are put to expense every Saturday in bringing prominent country players to Sydney. For this match M'Cormack was brought all the way from Wellington, and the Rev. P. S. Waddy, M'Glinchey, and Hogue came from Newcastle. Not only was Saturday wasted, but other arrangements will have to be made to fill in the ground for the second day.

Some interesting matches are reported in the second and third grade competitions.

FIRST GRADE.

REDFERN v. CENTRAL CUMBERLAND.

Commenced on Redfern oval. Scores:—

Redfern.—First Innings.

W. Hume, st Donohue, b Farquhar	55	E. Hume, b Cranney	31
Barnes, c Donohue, b Farquhar	10	Robinson, c sub., b Wilson	4
Burnett, c Farquhar, b Pye	26	Cody, c Farquhar, b Wilson	21
Johnson, c Pye, b Kennedy	14	M'Quirk, b Cranney	2
Whiting, c Cranney, b Pye	20	Searle, not out	0
Curtis, b Wilson	154	Sundries	13
		Total	350

Bowling Analysis.—Pye, 24 overs, 1 maiden, 105 runs, 2 wickets; Simpson, 14 overs, 1 maiden, 42 runs; Wilson, 19·4 overs, 67 runs, 3 wickets; Farquhar, 9 overs, 56 runs, 2 wickets; Kennedy, 7 overs, 2 maidens, 27 runs, 1 wicket; Wickham, 3 overs, 14 runs; Cranney, 5 overs, 32 runs, 2 wickets.

BURWOOD v. SYDNEY.

Commenced at St. Luke's Park, Burwood. Scores:—

Burwood.—First Innings.

Dwyer, b Marsh	4	Deane, not out	32
Barbour, lbw, b Marsh	0	Bissett, c Cowper, b Marsh	32
Kemmis, c Palmer, b Marsh	0	Forbes, b M'Beath	3
Meagher, c M'Beath, b Marsh	15	Williams, run out	0
Holborough, b Marsh	0	Sundries	3
Saggers, b Marsh	0	Total	85
Finneran, b Marsh	26		

Bowling Analysis.—Marsh, 10 overs, 4 maidens, 34 runs, 8 wickets; M'Beath, 10 overs, 1 maiden, 51 runs, 1 wicket.

Sydney.—First Innings.

Pite, c Finneran, b Williams	6	Evers, b Finneran	40
Quist, c and b Finneran	7	Cowper, c and b Dwyer	66
Palmer, b Finneran	5	M'Beath, not out	15
Deery, c Kemmis, b Williams	113	Sundries	8
		Six wickets for	252

PADDINGTON v. WAVERLEY.

Commenced on the Sydney Cricket Ground. Scores:—

Waverley—First Innings.

C. Gregory, b Lloyd	50	S. E. Gregory, c Trumper, b M. A. Noble	20
Mackenzie, run out	29	Precious, c Sweetnam, b M. A. Noble	31
Newell, b Lloyd	10	Bell, not out	16
Stubbins, b Lloyd	0	Leg byes 3, wide 1	4
Carter, b Lloyd	18		
Howard, c Kelly, b Noble	52		
M'Intyre, c F. Gow, b M. A. Noble	22	Total	223
Carroll b M. A. Noble	0		

Noble, 25·3 overs, 5 maidens, 80 runs, 5 wickets; Trumper, 12 overs, 4 maidens, 32 runs, 0 wickets; Lloyd, 15 overs, 2 maidens, 57 runs, 4 wickets; Miller, 9 overs, 0 maidens, 36 runs, 0 wickets; E. G. Noble, 3 overs, 0 maidens, 14 runs, 0 wickets.

Paddington.—First Innings.

Gow, c C. Gregory, b Howard	11	E. G. Noble, not out	4
Sweetnam, c Carter, b Howard	14	Sundry	1
Gee, not out	2	Two wickets for	32

LEICHHARDT-BALMAIN I. v. GLEBE I.

This match was commenced on the Leichhardt Park Oval on Saturday. Scores:—

Glebe I.—First Innings.

Bardsley, c and b Sullivan	42	M'Mullen, st Loveridge, b Duckworth	12
Grounds, b Duckworth	13	Mahony, c Delaney, b Duckworth	17
Youll, run out	1	Buckle, b Duckworth	1
Gallagher, c Woolcott, b Duckworth	0	Cotter, c Woolcott, b Duckworth	4
Newell, c Loveridge, b Duckworth	0	Sundries	15
Bowden, st Loveridge, b Sullivan	30	Total	195
Duggan, not out	51		

Bowling Analysis.—Woolcott, none for 23; Duckworth, seven for 73; Deering, none for 15; Sullivan, two for 44; Meares, none for 13; Robson, none for 12.

Leichhardt-Balmain I.—First Innings.

Meares, st Mahony, b Youll	12	Delaney, not out	11
Loveridge, c Grounds, b Cotter	14	Sundries	1
Ashdown, b Youll	0	Total for three wickets	52
Deering, not out	14		

SECOND GRADE.

UNIVERSITY I. v. REDFERN II.

Commenced on the University Oval. Scores:—

Redfern II.—First Innings.

Foster, lbw, b Manning	4	Hyman, b M'Sharry	0
Hayes, c and b M'Sharry	86	M'Evoy, not out	21
Weston, c Harris, b Stephen	0	Slater, run out	13
Hinchey, c Ward, b M'Sharry	29	Upton, b Manning	2
Finley, c Heden, b M'Sharry	5	Brown, run out	0
Jesson, lbw, b M'Sharry	15	Sundries	19
	5	Total	199

Bowling Analysis.—M'Sharry, 60 runs, 5 wickets; Manning, 41 runs, 2 wickets; C. C. Dight, 19 runs, no wicket; W. B. Dight, 22 runs, no wicket; Stephens, 27 runs, 1 wicket; Cowlishaw, 11 runs, no wicket.

University.—First Innings.

L. Cowlishaw, not out	48
H. M. Stephen, not out	41
Sundry	1
Total for no wickets	90

MANLY v. ST. GEORGE.

Commenced on Manly Oval on Saturday. Scores:—

Manly.—First Innings.

H. D. L. Woods, b Bloomfield	107	Waxman, c Sutton, b Harper	14
Stoney, c Donnan, b Bloomfield	43	Fraser, c Bloomfield, b Donnan	18
Hogan, b Donnan	5	C. E. G. Woods, not out	7
Reid, b Bull	22	Patison, not out	1
Lowe, st Thornleigh, b Harper	56	Sundries	7
Plomley, c Bull, b Harper	17	Nine wickets for	304
Row, b Bull	7		

SYDNEY v. PETERSHAM.

Commenced on the Rushcutter Bay Oval on Saturday. Scores:—

Sydney II.—First Innings.

F. M. Ridge, b Tye	37	Shea, b Lennartz	24
J. J. Renshaw, lbw, b Brownlow		S. L. Ridge, b Tye	5
Chapman, c Mills, b Fairfax	23	Hayes, b Brownlow	5
Lord, st Mills, b Alcock	40	Cuff, b Palser	11
R. Renshaw, b Lennart	101	Mitchell, not out	8
Deery, st Mills, b Brownlow	27	Sundries	8
	26	Total	325

Bowling Analysis.—Lennartz, two wickets for 65; Fairfax, one for 28; Laud, none for 30; Palser, one for 13; Brownlow, three for 106; Tye, two for 51; Alcock, one for 23.

Petersham II.—First Innings.

Palser, c F. M. Ridge, b Renshaw	1	Rothwell, not out	0
Brownlow, not out	32	One for	33

PADDINGTON v. BURWOOD.

Commenced at Hampden Park Oval, Paddington, on Saturday. Scores:—

Paddington.—First Innings.

Rose, c sub, b Rogers	85	Cruickshank, b Rogers	6
P. Winning, c Gelding, b Rogers	3	O. King, b Rogers	2
M'Coll, b Harnett	21	Howard, c and b Rogers	3
Carty, st Brown, b Gelding	9	J. Davis, b Gelding	7
Humphries, c sub, b Gelding	7	Fitzgerald, not out	4
Grace, c Brown, b Rogers	0	Sundries	8
		Total	163

Burwood.—First Innings.

Chinn, lbw, b Fitzgerald	1	Anderson, run out	21
Marsden, c Rose, b Fitzgerald	12	Sundries	7
Arnott, not out	27	Four wickets for	103
Lonnen, b Rose	35		

LEICHHARDT-BALMAIN II. v. NORTH SYDNEY II.

This match was commenced on the Birchgrove Reserve, at Balmain, on Saturday. Scores:—

Leichhardt-Balmain II.—First Innings.

Coyle, c Coltman, b Minnett	0	Barrell, c and b Minnett	0
Beavis, b Mansfield	6	Shepherd, run out	0
Rees, b Mansfield	19	Bowe, b Minnett	0
T. Storey, c Mansfield, b Minnett	7	M'Leod, st Coltman, b Mansfield	1
J. Janes, not out	46	Sundries	4
Martin, b Mansfield	5	Total	87
Young, run out	0		

Bowling Analysis.—Mansfield, 13 overs, 1 maiden, 55 runs, 4 wickets; Minnett, 13 overs, 2 maidens, 30 runs, 4 wickets.

North Sydney II.—First Innings.

Punch, c Beavis, b Coyle	45	Sundries	4
Paton, c Coyle	49		
Haddon, not out	80	Two wickets for	253
Amphlett, not out	75		

THIRD GRADE.

NORTH SYDNEY III. v. SYDNEY III.

These clubs met in the third-grade competition on the North Sydney Oval on Saturday. Sydney batted first and put together 286 (Dent 79, Griffin 52, F. Deery 30, Eve 27, Bramley 29, Robinson 14, H. Goddard 14, Crawley 10). North Sydney at the close of play had lost one wicket for 27.

PETERSHAM II. v. PADDINGTON III.

This match was commenced at Petersham, the locals batting first and scoring 236 (Todd 62, Eames 58, Marr 55). Riva, for Paddington, secured six wickets for 64 runs, and M'Dowall three for 32. Paddington III. have lost one wicket for 99 (Chapman 42, M'Dowall not out 38).

GLEBE III. v. BURWOOD III.

Glebe and Burwood commenced their match on the Wentworth Park Oval. Glebe compiled 299 runs (Gallagher 46, Moss not out 37, Cockadre 30, Hall 29). Dent got six wickets for 59 runs, and G. Rodgers three wickets for 33 runs. Burwood, when stumps were drawn, had compiled 12 runs without loss.

ST. GEORGE II. v. LEICHHARDT-BALMAIN III.

This match was commenced at Brighton on Saturday. Leichhardt-Balmain obtained 221 (Young 52, Bull 44, Hancox 27, Turnbull 31, and "sundries" 40); St. George, four for 31 ("sundries" 15). Sherlock, for St. George, took three for 47, Ross three for 22.

WAVERLEY v. REDFERN.

This match was begun on the Waverley Oval on Saturday afternoon. Redfern kept possession of the wickets throughout the day, scoring 237 runs for seven wickets (J. Elwood 64 not out, F. Johnson 41, J. Ingham 38, A. Soul 30 not out).

BAR v. SOLICITORS.

Played at North Sydney oval on Friday, and won by solicitors by 41. Scores:—

Solicitors.—First Innings.

Robison, c Wentworth, b Stephen	44	H. Moses, c R. Innes, b Stephen	22
Doloherey, b Merewether	20	R. Simpson (captain), b Stephen	6
Sheridan, c Merewether, b Stephen	19	Boulton, b Gaden	63
Crawley, c G. Innes, b Stephen	0	M'Intosh, b Gaden	0
Ridge, run out	2	Westgarth, not out	1
Payten, c Weigall, b Merewether	80	Sundries	16
		Total	280

Barristers.—First Innings.

W. Merewether, c Sheridan, b Ridge	24	R. Innes, b Ridge	27
C. Wade, st Doloherey, b Ridge	10	L. Gaden, c M'Intosh, b Sheridan	19
G. Innes, st M'Intosh, b Ridge	58	B. O'Conor, st M'Intosh, b Sheridan	9
H. Stephen, b Simpson	48	C. Weigall, not out	6
C. Manning, c Payten, b Ridge	13	T. Rolin, b Ridge	0
W. Wentworth, c substitute, b Doloherey	5	Sundries	21
		Total	239

BIRCHGROVE PARK.

Next Thursday afternoon a match will be played at Birchgrove Park composed of Parliamentarians and the Park Trustees' team. The Parliamentary team will journey to the ground in one of the Government launches, and it is expected they will be accompanied by members of the Ministry, heads of the Lands Department, and other officials. The band of the N.S.S. Sobraon will be present, and the trustees are throwing the park open free to visitors. The local member, Mr. John Storey, M.L.A., will play with the Parliamentary side.

WESTERN SUBURBS COMPETITION.

The western suburbs junior competition was advanced another stage on Saturday, when the following matches were played:—

First Junior.

Macdonaldtown A team defeated Y.M.C.A. by 18 runs.

Marrickville Ferndale (285 runs) defeated Lane Cove by 216 runs.

Newtown Oxford defeated Botany District by 307 runs at Botany.

Second Junior.

Erskineville (381) defeated Newtown Workmen's Institute (121).

Newtown Fernleigh (134 and 160 for five wickets) defeated Stedman Imperial (98) by 64 runs at Alexandria.

Erskineville Junior (222 for eight wickets) defeated Macdonaldtown B team (105) by two wickets and 57 runs.

WEDNESDAY HALF-HOLIDAY COMPETITION. MITCHELL SHIELD.

Waterloo defeated Western Suburbs at Norwood Park by 258 runs on the first innings, scoring 316 (Glass 125, Chapman 50, Holder 48, Birks 29, Siddons 22. W. Edwards five for 18, A. Edwards three for 72). Western Suburbs were dismissed for 58. Cranston (five) and Jackson (four) secured the wickets. Waterloo in their second innings scored 174 (Ashdown 43, Siddons 29, Putland 22. M'Carty secured five for 45.

Annandale defeated Mark Foy's at Wentworth Park by an innings and 97 runs, compiling 275 (C. O'Halloran 78, Robertson 50, Kurtz 48, Brown 40, Mills 27); Mark Foy's, 76 (Munney 22), and 112 (Trenbath 30 not out). Pogue (seven for 29) and Kurtz (five for 29) secured the wickets.

Ashfield defeated Newtown at St. Luke's Park by 88 runs, scoring 214 (Chipperfield 128, Bourke 20). Newtown, 153 (Barnes 46, Williams 31 not out). For the winners Chipperfield and Sparks secured the wickets.

Balmain defeated Leichhardt at Petersham Oval by four wickets, scoring 198 (Kittrell 49, Wrenford 37, Lovot 30) and six for 87 (M'Grath 22, Storey 11), against 106 (Furness 33 not out, Walker 32) and 112 (Furness 32). For Leichhardt Walker and Frost and for Balmain Toyer and M'Callum secured the wickets.

Electric Telegraph defeated Burwood at Hampden Oval, scoring four for 263 (Gleeson 123 not out, Brown 76 not out, Cochrane 21, Percy 21) against Burwood's 83 (Saunders 33 not out). Brown and Burke did the bowling for Telegraph.

M'Ilwrath's a bye.

The points in the competition are:—

Electric Telegraph are 7 points, Waterloo 6, Ashfield and Western Suburbs 3 each.

Victoria House (86 for four wickets) defeated David Jones and Co. (85) by six wickets.

Gladesville Hospital, 79 (W. A. F. Lewis, 30), were easily defeated by the Commercial Bank, 138 (H. Warden, 45 not out, and H. Massey, 35), on Saturday.

MELBOURNE PENNANT MATCHES.

MELBOURNE, Sunday.

Three out of five pennant games in the round concluded on Saturday were drawn. The only finished games were played at Hawsburn, where the home team was beaten by East Melbourne, and at Fitzroy, where the visitors from the University were defeated. In the Hawksburn match East Melbourne put together 252, including 51 from Laver, and won by 84 runs. Fitzroy beat University by three wickets and 98 runs. Other games were drawn as follow: Carlton, five for 296, including 115 by J. Worrall, v. Richmond, eight for 256; North Melbourne, seven for 291, to which W. Carlton contributed 99 not out, v. South Melbourne, six for 225, including 109 not out from W. M'Cormack. St. Kilda, six for 253, v. Melbourne, six for 284 (D. Mailer of the Melbourne team had scored 125 when bowled by Ansliet. In the league section Essendon beat Brighton on the first innings by 192 runs; Malvern beat Port Adelaide by 10 runs; Coburg beat Williamstown on the first innings by 37 runs.

BARRABA, Saturday.

The Barraba cricketers defeated Bingara team to-day by 11 runs.

BEGA, Saturday.

In the Southern Counties Cricket Association cup contests the match Bega v. Candelo was played at Bega today. Bega batted first and scored 223 (M'Ilveen 117, Cunningham 45, Hawkins 26, Clynch 12, Bingemann and Clynch 10 each). Candelo responded with 203 (Brown 60, Bright 40, Champneys 28, Pike 14, Bate 11). At the close of Candelo's innings stumps were drawn, and the match was decided on the first innings.

DUBBO, Saturday.

A cricket match was played on the Dubbo Oval on Wednesday afternoon between the Holy Trinity and Wesleyan clubs. The scores were as follows:—Holy Trinity, 132 (M'Donald 90, Johnstone 12, Fitzhardinge not out 4); Wesleyan, six wickets for 97 (E. Gartrell not out 50, G. Taylor, Kirkland 14).

GUNNING, Saturday.

Gunning played Jerrawa a one-innings match to-day. Gunning won with 96 runs to their opponents' 65. Sands made 50 for Jerrawa, Duffy 20 not out, and Bandock 15.

LAUNCESTON, Sunday.

In the cricket match Launceston v. Tamar yesterday, J. H. Savigny of the former team put up 199 not out.

MILTON, Saturday.

The competition match, Milton v. Ulladulla, was commenced on the latter's wicket this afternoon. In the first innings Milton scored 100 and Ulladulla 101, and in the second Milton has lost five wickets for 37. Should Ulladulla succeed in winning the match they will gain the trophy.

QUEANBEYAN, Saturday.

The Queanbeyan cricketers defeated Bulga Creek today, the scores being Queanbeyan 144, Bulga Creek 95.

TAMWORTH, Saturday.

In the Sawer's Shield cricket competition yesterday Tamworth Club defeated Moonbi on the oval, and Royal Standard Club scored a win over Nemingha on the latter's ground. Tamworth Club is leading by a good many points in the competition.

FOOTBALL.

WARRIGAL F.C.

The annual general meeting of the Warrigal Football Club was held on Friday evening at the Cambridge Club Hotel, Oxford-street. Mr. B. Holland presided over a large attendance. The annual report submitted showed that the 1901 season had been a most successful one. It had entered the newly-formed City and Suburban Union, and had performed with considerable success throughout the competition, having eventually gained the distinction of being runners-up for the premiership. Of the 28 matches played 15 had been won, 9 lost, and 4 drawn, the aggregate number of points scored being 131. The report and balance-sheet were unanimously adopted. The election of officers for the coming season resulted as follows:—Patron, Sir William M'Millan, M.P.; president, Mr. J. Tobin; hon. secretary, Mr. W. L. Evennett; hon. treasurer, Mr. F. Wilkes; delegates to the City and Suburban F. Union, Messrs. T. Kearney, R. Carty, and Evennett; whilst Mr. Kearney was also elected as the club's representative on the union.

LAWN TENNIS.

NORTH PETERSHAM CLUB.

The annual meeting of the North Petersham Tennis Club was held at Melrose, Norwood-street, on Wednesday evening, the president (Mr. C. Barnes) being in the chair. The report on the year's proceedings showed that a satisfactory match record had been obtained, that of the honorary treasurer showing a credit balance. The following office-bearers for the year were elected:—President, Mr. C. Barnes; vice-presidents, Messrs. W. T. Rabone and A. James; general committee, Messrs. J. Newton, L. Johnson, J. Bull, and S. Jones; selection committee, Messrs. J. Bull, S. Jones, and W. Roseby; honorary secretary, Mr. W. R. Charlton; honorary treasurer, Mr. W. P. Rayment; ladies' representative, Miss A. Drake.

CYCLING.

BURWOOD CLUB'S ROAD RACE.

The Burwood Bicycle Club carried out a successful five miles road race over the Burwood-Bankstown course on Saturday. There was a strong head wind for the return, but the going generally was good. The race was run in two heats and a final, M'Kay being the winner from scratch in 14 minutes 55 seconds. Results:—

First heat: M'Kay, 1; Fotheringham, 2; Willetts, 3. Second heat: Potter, 1; Kain, 2; Luscombe, 3. Final: M'Kay, 1; Potter, 2; Fotheringham 3.

SAILING.

ROYAL SYDNEY YACHT SQUADRON.

The Royal Sydney Yacht Squadron last Saturday held a most successful race for all yachts of the squadron. Although open to any yacht on the register, those only of the 30-foot class entered, and the interest in the event was certainly enhanced in consequence, both as a spectacle and as a race. Nine of the handsome little craft faced the starter, and kept up the interest throughout the whole of the race, which being well contested, it naturally followed that it was full of those little incidents which are the charm of class-racing, and make it so absorbing to the participants, as well as fascinating to the spectators. Petrel, well handled by her owner, gained the verdict after a keen race by 37 seconds from Sunbeam, which craft takes second place, Heather getting third, both having their owners at the helm. Œnone never had a chance, her sails not setting, owing to their being new and unstretched. Magic had too little sail set for the day, having a reef in, and she also had her chance greatly discounted by one of her opponents failing to observe the rule of the road in cross-tacking. A nice breeze blew throughout the afternoon, the weather being genial and pleasant.

The entries and time allowances were:—Sunbeam, F. Doran, rating 35·1, scratch; Magic, J. O. Fairfax, rating 32·8, 2 minutes 53 seconds; Fleetwing, C. T. Brockhoff, rating 32·2, 5 minutes; Cooya, A. W. Crane, rating 32, 0 minutes 23 seconds; Heather, Dr. Craig, rating 31·9, 1 minute 55 seconds; Petrel, S. M. Dempster, rating 31·8, 5 minutes 47 seconds; Culwulla, W. M. Marks, rating 31·7, 5 minutes 50 seconds; Aoma, A. Dixson, rating 31·7, 5 minutes 50 seconds; Œnone, A. R. Marks and C. H. Reading, rating 30, 9 minutes 32 seconds. The course was from Farm Cove round squadron's buoy at Manly, back round Shark Island, Fort Denison, thence round Pile Light, Shark Island, and finish to the southward of Fort Denison. The time allowances were given according to the ratings, and were deducted at the finish. The wind was of nice strength from E.N.E., the tide being young flood at the start. All the entrants came to the scratch, and when the starting flag was lowered it was seen that Magic had the best position, the next in order being Heather, Sunbeam, Cooya, Petrel, Culwulla, Fleetwing, Œnone, Aoma being more than half a minute late. Petrel, Heather, Culwulla, Œnone, and Aoma had topsails set. Magic had a reef in. With the exception of Fleetwing all stood across to the northern shore to avoid the incoming tide, Fleetwing standing a short distance in midstream before staying, and on meeting the fleet coming out from Cremorne it was seen that she was in the van. Short tacks were the order of the day. Œnone's sails were not setting, and she dropped back. Magic, on the starboard tack, and when in second position, met Petrel on the port stretch. The latter, failing to give way, forced Magic round, and before she got way again was passed by several of the fleet, and left in the ruck with her chance practically spoilt. Sunbeam then ran into second place, while Heather, sailing in splendid form, took up the running from Fleetwing. Both Cooya and Magic were badly treated by the wind in Athol Bight. Aoma came along in good style, and was in fourth position before opening out Bradley's Head, the order here being Heather, Sunbeam, Fleetwing, Aoma, Petrel, Culwulla, Cooya, Magic, with Œnone some little way astern. Heather, Fleetwing, and Aoma stood well out from the head. Petrel, following suit a little later on, picked up a nice slant, and was bowling along at a great pace. Heather was still in the lead at Chowder Point, with Sunbeam close upon her heels. Petrel had sailed well, and was now third, Culwulla going into fifth place. Sunbeam and Heather were having a great struggle for pride of place, both getting away from the others. Coming out from under George's Head Sunbeam just managed to cross Heather and take the lead. Heather shortly afterwards catching Sunbeam on the wrong leg threw her round, and so they sailed neck and neck until passing Middle Head, where Sunbeam got clear and took the lead again; then came Heather, Petrel, Fleetwing, Aoma, Culwulla, Cooya, Magic, Œnone. Cooya sent a topsail aloft; Fleetwing followed her example, but took much more than she gained by doing it, as both Aoma and Culwulla were enabled to pass her. Sunbeam increased her lead, Petrel and Aoma had closed up on Heather, Magic passed Cooya, and both caught Fleetwing. Squaring away at the Manly buoy they were timed:—Sunbeam, 3h. 30m. 42s.; Heather, 3h. 31m. 51s.; Petrel, 3h. 32m. 13s.; Aoma, 3h. 32m. 19s.; Culwulla, 3h. 31m. 14s.; Magic, 3h. 35m. 25s.; Cooya, 3h. 36m. 6s.; Fleetwing, 3h. 36m. 12s.; Œnone, 3h. 50m. 58s. All carried balloon jibs for the free reach, Aoma, Culwulla, Cooya, Magic, and Heather also setting spinnakers. Sunbeam set her topsail, and soon stood out a good lead. Magic and Cooya had a luffing match, Magic getting away clear. Petrel set her spinnaker off the lightship and caught Heather, Culwulla passing Aoma. They were timed as they jibed at Shark Island:—Sunbeam, 4h. 0m. 22s.; Petrel, 4h. 3m. 27s.; Heather, 4h. 3m. 51s.; Culwulla, 4h. 5m. 25s.; Aoma, 4h. 5m. 54s.; Magic, 4h. 7m. 11s.; Cooya, 4h. 7m. 15s.; Fleetwing, 4h. 8m. 35s.; Œnone, not timed. Cooya got the inside running and passed Magic to windward. Balloon jibs and spinnakers were reset to starboard for the run to the fort. Over this portion of the course Culwulla drew away from Aoma, and Cooya increased her advantage over Magic, which craft and Fleetwing were without spinnakers. Before reaching the fort Magic shook out her reef. At this place they were timed:—Sunbeam, 4h. 14m. 29s.; Petrel, 4h. 18m. 49s.; Heather, 4h. 19m. 6s.; Culwulla, 4h. 20m. 52s.; Aoma, 4h. 21m. 3s.; Cooya, 4h. 23m. 2s.; Magic, 4h. 23m. 35s.; Fleetwing, 4h. 25m. On the thrash back Petrel, moving freely, gained on Sunbeam and drew away from Heather, the latter again catching Petrel later on. Magic was showing much improved form with the reef out, and soon disposed of Cooya. Petrel and Heather drew away a little from Culwulla, the latter leaving Aoma to some extent. At the Pile Light Sunbeam was 3 minutes 35 seconds ahead of Petrel, which craft was 35 seconds ahead of Heather. Then came Culwulla, Aoma, Magic, Cooya, Fleetwing, and Œnone. Spinnakers and balloon jibs were set for the run to the island. Sunbeam adding about 5 seconds to her lead, while Petrel drew away from Heather, the order being the same as at the Pile Light. Œnone retired from the race. For the final run spinnakers and balloon jibs were again requisitioned. No change took place, and they were timed as they crossed the finishing line:—Sunbeam, 5h. 17m. 11s.; Petrel, 5h. 22m. 21s.; Heather, 5h. 23m. 13s.; Culwulla, 5h. 24m. 3s.; Aoma, 5h. 25m. 4s.; Magic, 5h. 26m. 46s.; Cooya, 5h. 30m. 2s.; Fleetwing, 5h. 35m. 53s. Therefore, after deducting time allowances, Petrel, under the skilful pilotage of her owner, takes first prize of £10; Sunbeam and Heather taking second and third prizes of £4 and £1 respectively. Both were in charge of their owners, and well deserve the places they occupy. Magic, it is understood, has protested against Petrel for the breach of the sailing rules in the early part of the race.

Mr. A. G. Milson, the starter and the commodore of the day, got the boats away to an excellent start.

The club steamer Woy Woy followed the race, and was well patronised.

SYDNEY FLYING SQUADRON.

The 22-footer Yogi secured a victory in the squadron's general handicap race on Saturday afternoon, the second and third places being filled by Australian and Young Harry respectively. Of the 22 boats entered for the race there were only two non-starters, and, as the prevailing conditions could hardly have been more favourable, the patrons of the club, who either witnessed the racing from Clark Island or from the steamer Lady Manning, were treated to a very enjoyable afternoon's sport. The event was decided in three heats and a final over the usual triangular course, starting and finishing at Clark Island. Particulars of the several sprints are as follows:—

First Heat.—Iris, (H. Langford), 4 minutes, £2, 1; Australian (Chris. Webb), 3½ minutes, 2. Other starters: Donnelly (G. Holmes), Elsie (W. Read), and Mascotte (C. Dunn), 3½ minutes; and Doreen (C. Smith), 5½ minutes. Thalia, the other entrant, failed to put in an appearance. The breeze was of moderate strength from about E.N.E., and, excepting that Australian was a little slow in responding to her signal, the start was a good one. On the work to Shark Island Iris went to the front, whilst Australian disposed of the others, of which Elsie did best and was level with Doreen at the island buoy. Australian improved her position on the reach across to Taylor Bay, and Donnelly displaced Elsie and Doreen. On the run home the lastnamed capsized, thus meeting the same fate as on the previous Saturday. Iris and Australian easily maintained their respective positions to the finish, and although the others made a close race for third honours, Donnelly gained the verdict, the finishing times being:—Iris, 4h. 24m. 28s.; Australian, 4h. 25m. 4s.; Donnelly, 4h. 27m. 45s.; Mascotte, 4h. 27m. 46s.; and Elsie, 4h. 27m. 49s.

Second heat: Young Harry (S. Richardson), ½ minute, £2, 1; Guinevere (R. Green), 2½ minutes, 2. Other starters: Keriki (O. Taylor), scr.; Effie (E. E. Sayer), ¾ minute; Plover (H. J. Forster), 1½ minute; Ellis (G. Degan), 2 minutes; and Willis (W. Messenger), 2¼ minutes. Keriki lost about ¾ minute, otherwise the start was a good one. The work over the first mile saw Guinevere at the head of affairs, with Young Harry and Effie in the next best positions. This order was preserved on the reach across stream, but Keriki gained fourth position by displacing Ellie, which at the Taylor Bay mark was closely followed by Willis and Plover. Extras were soon aloft for the run to the finish, during which Young Harry went to the front, and, as Effie's ballooner got overboard, she was passed by Keriki, whilst Ellie dropped into the rear before the finish was reached. The finishing times were:—Young Harry, 4h. 39m. 34s.; Guinevere, 4h. 39m. 46s.; Keriki, 4h. 41m.; Effie, 4h. 42m. 7s.; Willis, 4h. 42m. 20s.; Plover, 4h. 42m. 24s.; and Ellie, 4h. 42m. 55s.

Third heat: Yogi (R. C. Scott), 5¼ minutes, £2, 1; Mercia (A. W. Crane), ½ minute, 2. Other starters: Dragon (J. St. G. George), scr.; Hiawatha, 1½ minute; Desdemona (A. Muston), 2½ minutes; Quadratic (P. Summerbell), 3 minutes; and Yankee (J. B. Craig), 5¼ minutes. Southern Cross was also entered for this heat, but was an absentee. With the aid of her handicap the limit boat maintained the lead throughout, and although Desdemona, Quadratic, and Hiawatha held the next best positions over a good portion of the course they were displaced by their larger rivals, Mercia and Dragon, in the run to the finish. Close to the Taylor Bay mark Quadratic met with a mishap to a portion of her gear, but notwithstanding this she was only just beaten for third place. The finish was a close one, the times being:—Yogi, 4h. 54m. 40s.; Mercia, 4h. 56m. 8s.; Dragon, 4h. 56m. 30s.; Quadratic, 4h. 56m. 35s.; Hiawatha, 4h. 56m. 40s.; Desdemona, 4h. 56m. 45s.

Final.—Yogi, 5½ minutes, £6 and trophy presented by Vice-president W. H. May, 1; Australian, 3½ minutes, £2, 2; Young Harry, ½ minute, £1, 3. Other starters: Mercia, ½ minute; Guinevere, 2½ minutes; and Iris, 4 minutes. A good start was effected, and on the work to Shark Island Australian, sailing splendidly, displaced Iris, whilst Young Harry overhauled Guinevere close to the island buoy. Here the times were:—Yogi, 5h. 26m. 18s.; Australian, 5h. 27m. 23s.; Iris, 5h. 28m. 50s.; Young Harry, 5h. 29m. 35s.; Guinevere, 5h. 29m. 38s.; and Mercia, 5h. 30m. 17s. On the reach across stream Iris dropped into last position, whilst Mercia passed Guinevere. At the Taylor Bay mark, Australian had drawn up on the leader somewhat, and Young Harry had in turn slightly improved her position. All available extras were requisitioned for the run home, but no further alteration took place in the positions. Yogi eventually won by 27 seconds, the finishing times being:—Yogi, 5h. 49m. 12s.; Australian 5h. 49m. 39s.; Young Harry, 5h. 50m. 29s.; Mercia, 5h. 50m. 36s.; Guinevere, 5h. 50m. 5es.; and Iris, 5h. 52m. 3s.

LANE COVE A.S.C.

This club brought off two handicap races on Saturday afternoon, viz., for open boats and canoes respectively. The results were as follows:—

Open Boats.—Marjorie (W. Henderson), 3 minutes, 1; Moanee (A. Richards), 5 minutes, 2; Glaucia (L. Clarke), 9 minutes, 3. Other entrants: Spindrift (L. Murnin), scratch; Nell (J. Coleman), 1 minute; Dorothy (T. Kaddie), 5 minutes; Ruby (J. Waddell), 8 minutes; Chance (A. Edgington), 9 minutes; Floradora (T. Cuneo, jun.), 16 minutes. Before the finish was reached Marjorie had opened out a comfortable lead, winning by 2 minutes 5 seconds from Moanee, which defeated Glaucia by 16 seconds. The finishing times were:—Marjorie, 4h. 52m.; Moanee, 4h. 54m. 8s.; Glaucia, 4h. 54m. 19s.; Dorothy, 4h. 55m.; Nell, 4h. 55m. 3s.

Canoes.—Nada (H. Clarke), 5 minutes, 1; Myee (C. Foxall), scratch, 2; Lorna (G. Clarke), 13 minutes, 3. The other entrants were:—Coquette (S. Pattinson), 6 minutes; Ailsa (A. Thompson), 7 minutes; and Comet (N. Levy), 7 minutes. This race was productive of a fine struggle between the three placed boats, Nada gaining first place by 9 seconds from Myee, this canoe beating Lorna by 46 seconds for second place.

NEUTRAL BAY AMATEUR SAILING CLUB.

A general handicap race under the auspices of the Neutral Bay Amateur Sailing Club took place on Saturday afternoon for prizes of £2, £1, and 10s. The course was from Neutral Bay round Pile Light (off Watson's Bay), round Fort Denison, thence round Shark Island, and finish in Neutral Bay. The boats entered, with their handicaps, were as follows:—

Jam Satis, A. G. Milson, scratch; Varuna, A. Spain, scratch; St. Crispin, R. B. Phillips, 2 minutes; Fay, R. W. Carry, 3 minutes; Alouette, J. Wells, 4 minutes; Ailsa, O. W. Selfe, 9 minutes; Happy Thought, R. Spain, 9 minutes; Hinemoa, G. H. Flemming, 10 minutes; Wythona, T. Hill, 15 minutes. The limit boat got well away to time at 3 o'clock, followed by the other boats, according to their respective times. It was a beaty beat against wind and tide down to the Pile Light, and the boats that worked the eastern shore seemed to fare the best. The order rounding the Pile Light was as follows:—Happy Thought, Wythona, Ailsa, Fay, Alouette, St. Crispin, Varuna, Hinemoa. Spinnakers were set for the run to the Fort, when it was seen that Happy Thought had a very comfortable lead. The times going at the Fort were:—Happy Thought, 4h. 33m.; Ailsa, 4h. 34m. 30s.; Fay, 4h. 35m.; Wythona, 4h. 35m.; St. Crispin, 4h. 40m.; Alouette, 4h. 42m.; Varuna, 4h. 42m.; Hinemoa, 4h. 46m. On the beat back to Shark Island Happy Thought had a mishap in carrying away her gooseneck, and the boom went up the mast, while she lost 5 or 6 minutes in repairing same, Fay taking first place. The order rounding Shark Island was:—Fay, Happy Thought, Ailsa, Varuna, St. Crispin, Wythona, Alouette, Hinemoa. Balloon jibs were set for the lead home. Fay capsized, but her crew very smartly righted her, and sailed to a finish. The finishing times were:—Ailsa, 5h. 34m.; Varuna, 5h. 35m.; Fay, 5h. 35m. 13s.; Happy Thought, 5h. 35m. 16s.; St. Crispin, 5h. 37m.; Wythona, 5h. 40m.; Alouette, 5h. 43m.; Hinemoa, not timed; and Jam Satis was a non-starter. Result: Ailsa, 1st, £2; Varuna, 2nd, £1; Fay, 3rd, 10s. This was a splendid race, the first four boats all finishing inside of two minutes.

ROWING.

Mr. T. Bourke, the amateur champion sculler of Tasmania, returned home by rail on Thursday, via Melbourne. He forwarded his old boat, and a new one built by Nielsen, by the Wakatipu. During his stay of about four weeks he was under the care of Nielsen, who believes his pupil's rowing has much improved. He will race at the Tamar regatta on Thursday in the Amateur Sculls, and later on will go to South Australia to row for the Amateur Championship of Australia on May 11. Mr. Bourke has made many friends here.

The Balmain R.C. regatta will take place February 22. The open races are scratch fours and junior eights. For the latter Glebe, Mercantile, and Leichhardt will be strongly represented. Balmain is having considerable difficulty in the formation of a crew, but will, no doubt, succeed in getting a good team together. The events for club members are expected to fill with good entries.

The Upper Yarra regatta will be held next Saturday, above Princes Bridge. For the senior eights Banks, Mercantile, Wendouree, and Albert Park clubs have entered. There are five maiden eights, seven maiden fours, four senior eights, and all the other races have filled well.

The St. Ignatius regatta will take place on March 22. The open races are maiden fours, junior fours, senior fours and senior eights. The students races are, college fours, treble sculls, junior pairs. The tide will be flood all the afternoon.

The South Australian Rowing Association is negotiating for the building of an eight-oar boat by Nielsen. It is stated that a well-known Sydney coach will have a hand in preparing the crew.

In the Tyne Christmas Handicap H. Pearce was beaten in the second round, and G. Towns got as far as the third round. The final heat was won by Alexander Barclay. Neither Towns nor Pearce was mentioned in the betting, which was rather heavy, but the winner was not considered to have much of a chance until the semi-final heats were rowed.

Efforts have been made to bring about a race between Pearce and W. J. Haines. The latter has been beaten by Sullivan and Wray during the past two years.

SWIMMING.

EASTERN SUBURBS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP CARNIVAL.

F. C. V. LANE WINS THE 220 YARDS CHAMPIONSHIP.

A NEW AUSTRALIAN RECORD.

The annual carnival of the Eastern Suburbs Club came off on Saturday at Rowe's Bronte Baths. The fact that the programme included the 220 Yards' Championship of New South Wales brought forth what is considered a record gathering. The spacious vantage ground was occupied to the fullest extent. The proceedings were well managed. Afternoon tea was served by the committee, who in various ways attended to the requirements of their patrons. The championship race was by some enthusiasts not considered to be in doubt, although each competitor had his supporters. Lane won easily from R. Craig, and succeeded in eclipsing his former record for Australasia by 1 second. The 100 Yards' Eastern Suburbs Championship fell to E. W. Coulson, of the Bondi Club, W. R. Duret, of the same club, second. During intervals in the events G. R. Lyson (the Australian ex-champion) gave an exhibition dive, for which he was loudly applauded. Mr. J. Hellings and his nephew, Reggie, also met with applause for their combined efforts in fancy and trick swimming. The polo competition was won by Bondi, who beat Mort's Dock No. 1 team by three goals to one. The officials were:—Referee, Mr. A. T. Hendry; judges, Messrs. J. Bond, A. H. M'Nab, and J. R. Spear; starter, Mr. A. W. Griffith; check starter, Mr. L. Leo; timekeepers, Messrs. C. W. Oakes, M.L.A., W. T. Kerr, and J. Carney; standard judge, Mr. H. Hellings; laptakers, Messrs. H. C. Wilson and J. H. Hellings; result steward, Mr. D. Christian; clerk of course, Mr. R. Read; handicappers, Messrs. H. F. Cox (club) and C. Oliffe (inter-club); captain, Mr. L. Leo; secretary, Mr. W. H. Brown. The following are the results of the principal events:—

Boys' Handicap, 66 yards.—A. Walling, 6 seconds, 1; D. Brown, scratch, 2. Time, 1 minute 1 2-5th seconds.

Ladies' Nomination, handicap 66 yards.—First heat: M. Brogan (nominated by Miss Jenner), 10 seconds, 1. Time, 57 3-5th seconds. Second heat: W. Such (nominated by Miss Such), 15 seconds, 1. Time, 55 3-5th seconds. Third heat: J. Burns (nominated by Miss Costley), 18 seconds. Time, 55 1-5th seconds. Fourth heat: A. E. Donald (nominated by Miss Gladys), 10 seconds, 1. Time, 52 4-5th seconds. Fifth heat: W. H. Brown (nominated by Miss M Mulden), 10 seconds, 1. Time, 51 3-5th seconds. Final: W. Such, 1; M. Brogan, 2. Time, 53 2-5th seconds.

Eastern District Championship, 100 yards.—E. W. Coulson (Bondi), 1; R. Duret (Bondi), 2. Time, 1 minute 1 seconds.

Interclub Team Relay Race, distance 200 yards.—First heat: East Sydney No. 1 (J. Meade, J. Thompson, and R. Baker), scratch, 1; Mort's Dock No. 1 (J. Craig, W. Murden, and A. Grant), scratch, 2. Time, 2 minutes 8 1/4 seconds. Second heat: Randwick and Coogee No. 2 (A. Farmilo, G. Kiss, and J. New), 20 seconds, 1; Bondi No. 2 (O. Griffiths, R. M'Kenzie, and R. Massey), 20 seconds, 2. Time, 2 minutes 35 seconds. Third heat: Mort's Dock No. 3 (J. F. Black, F. Thorpe, and T. Prentice), 15 seconds, 1; Enterprise No. 3 (G. Reynolds, C. Wilson, and R. Watson), 10 seconds, 2. Time, 2 minutes 25 seconds. Fourth heat: Pyrmont (J. Morrison, H. Murrow, and R. Buckle), 6 seconds, 1; East Sydney No. 4 (T. Grainger, A. Bourke, and E. H. Davis), 9 seconds, 2. Time, 2 minutes 15 seconds. Fifth heat: Enterprise No. 5 (J. D'Arcy, J. Madden, and V. Gershon), 10 seconds, 1; Mort's Dock No. 5 (J. Greenless, W. Arthur, and J. Pitman), 12 seconds, 2. Time, 2 minutes 22 seconds. Sixth heat: East Sydney No. 6 (A. Sime, C. Bailey, and G. Stanley), 18 seconds, 1; Eastern Suburbs No. 6 (M. Brogan, J. Burns, and D. Corrigan), 20 seconds, 2. Time, 2 minutes 22 2-5 seconds. Final: East Sydney No. 1, 1; Mort's Dock No. 3, 2. Time, 2 minutes 37 2-5 seconds.

220 Yards Championship of New South Wales.—Starters: F. C. V. Lane (East Sydney), R. Cavill (Otter), R. R. Craig (Mort's Dock), and R. Byers (Balmain). From a fairly good start the four men went off at a great pace. Lane and Craig kept close together—with a slight lead from Cavill and Byers—for the first three laps. Lane was all the time getting a little to the front of his rival, and when two additional lengths of the baths had been negotiated Lane had a lead of about two yards from Craig. Cavill followed some two or three yards behind, with Byers struggling well to keep up. Lane kept well ahead for the remainder of the distance and won, amidst loud applause, by fully five yards; Craig being second, with a distance of three yards separating him from Cavill. Time, 2 minutes 37 3/4 seconds.

WAVERLEY CLUB CARNIVAL.

The Bondi baths presented an animated scene on Saturday afternoon, when close on 1000 spectators were estimated to have been present to witness the Waverley Club carnival. The day was all that could be desired for swimming, and the events on the programme were carried out with due regard to time. Most of those present were ladies, who were entertained with tea, &c., at 4 o'clock. The principal event was the 100 yards club championship, which was carried off by J. F. Cox, who defeated H. M'Laughlin by about three yards. The interclub team relay race was won by Burwood, with Waverley No. 4 second. Other attractions provided included a long dive by Mr. H. A. Wylie (Australasia's champion), exhibitions of clever fancy swimming by Mr. Wylie and his young children, Misses Walter, and Harold. Messrs. K. Chambers, Dunrich, and Cudden gave samples of high, fancy, and trick diving. The programme concluded with jazz swimming by the champions, F. C. V. Lane and G. Read, each effort being pleasing to the spectators. The officials were:—Starters and timekeepers, Messrs. H. A. Wylie, D. Comans; judges, Messrs. R. J. Burke, R. Cudden, H. N. Southwell, Henry Weir; result steward, Mr. C. Payne; call steward, Mr. J. Dickey; costume stewards, Messrs. W. Millard, S. J. Stephens; hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. W. J. Comans. The following are the results:—

Public Schoolboys' Handicap, 50 yards.—First heat: A. Barry (Plunkett-street), 7 seconds, 1; S. Carter (Glenmore-street), scratch, 2. Second heat: R. Holtanne (Paddington), 3 seconds, 1; A. Longworthy, Woollahra, 4 seconds, 2. Third heat: A. D. Hill (Neutral Bay), 4 seconds, 1; B. Wilkinson (St. Leonards), 5 seconds, 2. Fourth heat: P. Woolf, Erskineville, 5 seconds, 1; L. Roche (Bondi), 6 seconds, 2. Final: A. D. Hill (Neutral Bay), 1; B. Wilkinson (St. Leonards), 2; A. Barry (Plunkett-street), 3. Time, 35 seconds.

50 Yards Handicap, for members of the Waverley Volunteer Cadet Corps.—First heat: P. Scott, 6 seconds, 1; E. Brewer, 8 seconds, 2. Second heat: G. C. Gerbould, 3 seconds, 1; C. Cadden, scratch, 2. Third heat: F. Griffiths, 10 seconds, 1; E. A. Isaacs, 5 seconds, 2. Fourth heat: V. Flood, 9 seconds, 1. Final: T. Griffiths, 1; G. C. Gerbould, 2; E. A. Isaacs, 3. Time, 35 seconds.

Club Championship, 100 yards.—Starters: J. F. Cox, R. B. Treacy, J. H. M'Laughlin, and C. Cadden. Messrs. W. H. Bond and F. H. Ward entered, but did not compete. A good start was made. Cox and M'Laughlin kept a fairly even terms for the first half of the distance, when Cox drew ahead, and succeeded in reaching home full three yards in front of M'Laughlin; Treacy was a good third. The win, judging from the applause, was very popular. Time, 1 minute 8 seconds.

Members' Handicap, distance 50 yards.—First heat: J. Comans, 7 seconds, 1; D. Alexander, 3 seconds, 2. Time, 35 seconds. Second heat: A. Smyth, 4 seconds, 1; A. O'Grady, 2 seconds, 2. Time, 36 seconds. Third heat: O. Anderson, 8 seconds, 1; H. B. Treacy, scratch, 2. Time, 30 seconds. Fourth heat: G. Barkas, 7 seconds, 1; S. Dunrich, 8 seconds, 2. Time, 34 seconds. Fifth heat: R. Scott, 3 seconds, 1; J. F. Cox, scratch, 2. Time, 31 seconds. Sixth heat: Fred. Cox, 9 seconds, 1; R. Scott, 8 seconds, 2. Time, 35 seconds. Final: G. Barkas, 1; J. Comans, 2; F. Cox, 3. Time, 31 seconds.

Inter-club Teams Race, 150 yards, three men in a team; prize, £3 3s.—First heat: Mosman No. 3 (A. Rhode, E. Seale, and L. Weldon), 8 seconds, 1. Second heat: Mosman No. 1 (H. Mulhall, F. Simpson, and G. Gregson), 4 seconds. Third heat: Waverley No. 5 (G. M'Laughlin, H. B. Treacy, and G. Barkas), 14 seconds. Fourth heat: Waverley No. 4 (R. Hammond, E. Richardson, and L. Hammond), 14 seconds, 1. Fifth heat: Burwood No. 1 (E. Elliott, J. Elliott, and C. Elderton), 17 seconds, 1. Final: Burwood No. 1, 1; Waverley No. 4, 2. Time, 1 minute 6 seconds.

SCHOOL CARNIVAL AT BALMAIN.

The first annual carnival in connection with the Nicholson-street, Balmain, Public School was held on Friday, under favourable auspices, at the Nicholson-street baths, and proved a great success. There was a large attendance of spectators, and a number were unable to gain admission. The officials were as follows:—Starter and timekeeper, Mr. C. Proudfoot; check starter, Mr. B. Matheson; judges, Messrs. J. Doutty and W. Childs; laptaker, Mr. J. M. Loutit; result steward, Mr. A. Wheeler; hon. secretary, Mr. J. J. Graham. Following were the results of the various events:—

Junior Boys' Handicap, 44 yards.—First heat: T. Saunders, 14 seconds, 1; W. Johnston, 9 seconds, 2. Second heat: H. Travers, 5 seconds, 1; C. Davidson, 4 seconds, 2. Third heat: R. Smith, 2 seconds, 1; R. Childs, 3 seconds, 2. Final: H. Travers, 7 seconds, 1; R. Smith, 2 seconds, 2; V. Saunders, 14 seconds, 3.

Senior Boys' Handicap, 66 yards.—First heat: J. Blair, 15 seconds, 1; R. Keller, 22 seconds, 2. Second heat: L. Davidson, 8 seconds, 1; A. Kirkwood, 8 seconds, 2. Third heat: C. Childs, scratch, 1; F. Johnson, 6 seconds, 2. Final: J. Blair, 15 seconds, 1; C. Childs, scratch, 2; L. Davidson, 8 seconds, 3.

Swimming on Breast Handicap, 44 Yards.—First heat: C. Travers, 20 seconds, 1; A. Kennedy, 15 seconds, 2. Second heat: F. Johnson, 8 seconds, 1; C. Childs, scratch, 2. Final: F. Johnson, 8 seconds, 1; C. Travers, 20 seconds, 2; C. Childs, scratch, 3.

Ex-students' Handicap, 88 Yards.—First heat: C. M'Gregor, scratch, 1; C. Childs, 17 seconds, 2. Time, 77 seconds. Second heat: W. Durning, 11 seconds, 1; L. Loutit, 3 seconds, 2. Time, 67 seconds. Third heat: J. Matheson, 11 seconds, 1; A. Donaldson, 11 seconds, 2. Time, 65 seconds. Fourth heat: A. Tinley, 9 seconds, 1; J. Amess, 23 seconds, 2. Time, 65 seconds. Fifth heat: L. Hare, 7 seconds, 1; C. Harrod, 7 seconds, 2. Time, 64 1-5 seconds. Final: C. M'Gregor, scratch, 1; J. Matheson, 11 seconds, 2; W. Durning, 11 seconds, 3. Time, 60 seconds.

Schoolboys' Neatest Header.—C. Childs, 1; E. Childs, 2.

Professor Pannell gave an exhibition of fancy and trick swimming, and Messrs. Amess, Proudfoot, M'Gregor, and Matheson gave an exhibition of fancy diving. Both efforts were well received.

West Sydney Club held a 47 yards handicap at Dawes Point Baths on Friday evening. The attendance was large, and the racing very good. Mr. J. Carney was starter and timekeeper, and Messrs. A. Smith and C. Thomas were judges. Results:—

First heat: R. Martindale, 3 seconds, 1; L. Chounding, 2 seconds, 2; W. Nolan, 6 seconds, 3. Time, 33 seconds. Won by touch. Second heat: T. M'Gee, 7 seconds, 1; R. Murray, scratch, 2; W. Furlong, 1 second, 3. Time, 34 seconds. Won by half a yard. Third heat: J. Milverton, 2 seconds, 1; G. Riddington, scratch, 2; A. Riddington, 3 seconds, 3. Time, 30 seconds. Won by a yard. Fourth heat: G. Smith, 4 seconds, 1; B. Anderson, 2 seconds, 2; F. J. Healey, scratch, 3. Time, 33 4-5 seconds. Won by a touch. Fifth heat: W. O. Healy, 4 seconds, 1; A. Stewart, 1 second, 2; E. Butler, 2 seconds, 3. Time, 34 4-5 seconds. Won by inches only. Final: G. Smith, 4 seconds, 1; W. O. Healy, 4 seconds, 2; J. Milverton, 2 seconds, 3. Time, 34 2-5 seconds. Won by a yard, a touch between second and third.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.) SWIMMING CLUB.

THE 100 YARDS CHAMPIONSHIP.

A RECORD ESTABLISHED.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), Saturday.

At the Wellington Swimming Club Sports, Champion won the provincial championship of 100 yards by four yards. The time was 1 minute 1 1-5 seconds, which constitutes a record for New Zealand.

BOWLS.

PENNANT COMPETITION.

RESULT OF THE THIRD ROUND.

The third round of the pennant competition was played on Saturday afternoon under excellent weather conditions, and with satisfactory results. At the conclusion of the second round, Waverley, Gladstone Park, Ashfield, Strathfield, Chatswood, and Balmain had each lost a match. Of these clubs, Gladstone Park, Chatswood, and Strathfield again suffered defeat on Saturday, and consequently they have now dropped out of the competition. Saturday's play was responsible for one or two close games. St. Leonards suffered their first defeat at the hands of Petersham, who have not yet been beaten, but the game for all that was evenly contested throughout and only two points separated the totals at the finish. St. George Club also lost their first match on Saturday. They were defeated by Waverley by 10 points. Waverley led the first half-hour, then St. George led up to the end of the 20th head, then Waverley managed to get to the front, and won as stated. Balmain had an easy win against Chatswood, while Ashfield also beat Strathfield by a substantial majority. The Redfern-Gladstone Park match was by mutual arrangement played a week ago. This was done to enable the contestants to take part in the municipal elections on Saturday. Redfern won, and so they still remain unbeaten. In this round City enjoyed a bye. The following is the position of the clubs taking part in the competition:—

Unbeaten teams: City, Redfern, and Petersham.

Teams that have lost one match: Waverley, St. George, St. Leonards, Ashfield, and Balmain.

Clubs that have dropped out: In the second round, Victoria Park, Manly, Annandale, and Randwick; in the third round, Gladstone Park, Chatswood, and Strathfield.

The particulars of Saturday's play are as follow:—

ST. LEONARDS v. PETERSHAM.

Played on Redfern green. Petersham won by 2 points. Scores:—

No. 1 Rink.—Petersham: Rowley, Brathwood, Harlet, Lane, 21. St. Leonards: Liggins, Saddington, Perry, Lanksby, 29.

No. 2 Rink.—Petersham: T. Searle, Hibbie, Dalton, Morgan, 22. St. Leonards: Fox, Howard, Smith, Everston, 28.

No. 3 Rink.—Petersham: Atkinson, J. Searle, Butcher ...

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...Neil, 19. St. Leonards: Arthur, Cramb, Purves, Cleland, 25.
No. 4 Rink.—Petersham: Hopson, Thomas, Law, Carlile, 22. St. Leonards: Thompson, Read, Hillier, Groth, 15.
Half-hour scores: Petersham, 18, 31, 50, 66, 85; St. Leonards, 15, 34, 45, 66, 83.

ASHFIELD v. STRATHFIELD.

Ashfield and Strathfield teams met on the City green. Ashfield won by 16 points. The rinks and scores were as follow:—
No. 1 Rink.—Ashfield: Pope, Bell, Mitchell, Aitken, 28. Strathfield: Fisher, Neale, Roxburgh, Thompson, 24. Majority for Ashfield, 4 points.
No. 2 Rink.—Ashfield: Blundell, Baylis, Sheather, Moore, 23. Strathfield: Henry, Deane, Hillier, Bedford, 26. Majority for Strathfield, 3 points.
No. 3 Rink.—Ashfield: Kay, Byrne, J. C. Harrison, J. Harrison, 31. Strathfield: Pedley, Kelynack, Cowdery, Macdonald, 16. Majority for Ashfield, 15 points.
No. 4 Rink.—Ashfield: Clarke, Robertson, Beverley, Macdonald, 20. Strathfield: Bunting, Kopsen, Love, Allt, 20. A tie.
Totals: Ashfield, 102 points; Strathfield, 86 points. Majority for Ashfield, 16 points.

WAVERLEY v. ST. GEORGE.

These teams met on the Balmain green, and after a very close contest Waverley won by 10 runs. The match was in doubt practically until the last head was played. Following were the rinks and scores:—
No. 1 Rink.—Waverley: Martin, M'Donald, Gartrell and Evans (captain), 22. St. George: Couper, Louden, Lockmaster and Thornley (captain), 19. Majority for Waverley, 3 points.
No. 2 Rink.—Waverley: O. Carroll, C. G. Sledge, E. Gibbes, and W. M'Leod (captain), 28. St. George: R. Beadman, H. Roseby, E. Phippard, and J. Bromwich (captain), 12. Majority for Waverley, 16 points.
No. 3 Rink.—Waverley: M'Naughton, Donaldson, Fitzgerald, and Captain Kondie (captain), 26. St. George: Williams, Kenwood, Lassen, and M'Pherson (captain), 32. Majority for St. George, 6 points.
No. 4 Rink.—Waverley: Fairweather, Dyson, Rodgers, and Wahlberg (captain), 25. St. George: Pritchard, Wright, Hueneberg and Carruthers (captain), 28. Majority for St. George, 3 points.
Totals.—Waverley, 101; St. George, 91. Majority for Waverley, 10 points.
Half-hour scores: Waverley, 20, 40, 60, 77, 101; St. George, 18, 42, 65, 79, 91.

CHAMPION MEDAL AND RINK COMPETITIONS.

Considerable interest is being manifested in bowling circles in the champion medal and champion rink competitions, the entries for which have now closed. In the champion medal competition there are 50 entries, while in the champion rink competition no less than 23 quartets have signified their intention of taking part. The pennant committee will meet this week to draw for the first round, the date of which has not yet been fixed.

B COMPETITION.

The third round of the second grade or B competition, as it is known by among bowlers, was played on Saturday afternoon. The result was to throw the City and Manly clubs out of the competition. Ashfield and St. George each managed to win their match, and in this way they saved themselves from figuring among those clubs who no longer have a voice in the next round. Waverley lost on Saturday, but having won in the first and second rounds they still have a chance. Petersham stands in the proud position of leading the competition. They are the only club that has not yet suffered defeat. The following is the position of the clubs in the competition:—
Unbeaten Club.—Petersham.
Clubs who have lost one match.—Waverley, Ashfield, and St. George.
Clubs that have dropped out.—Second round: St. Leonards and Redfern. Third round: City and Manly.
The details of Saturday's play are as follows:—

PETERSHAM v. WAVERLEY.

Petersham and Waverley met in the "B" competition on the Victoria Park green. Petersham, after a close and exciting game, were the winners by 2 points. The following were the rinks and scores:—
No. 1 Rink.—Petersham: Booty, Litchfield, Rogers, Dixon, 11. Waverley: Ayres, Morrison, Parsons, Irvine, 20. Majority for Waverley, 9 points.
No. 2 Rink.—Petersham: Cansdell, Radford, Miller, Wylie, 27. Waverley: Mitchell, Fuller, Blanchard, Usher, 18. Majority for Petersham, 9 points.
No. 3 Rink.—Petersham: Hobson, Rowell, Branch, Rofe, 36. Waverley: Hughes, Lewis, Dr. Taylor, Rummell, 34. Majority for Petersham, 2 points.
Totals.—Petersham, 74; Waverley, 72. Majority for Petersham, 2 points.
Half-hour Scores.—Petersham, 16, 29, 42, 55, 74; Waverley, 13, 31, 50, 62, 72.

ASHFIELD v. MANLY.

These clubs met on Saturday in the "B" competition on the Chatswood green, a pleasant game resulting in a win for Ashfield by 21 points. The following are the rinks and rink scores:—
No. 1 Rink.—Ashfield: Williams, Titcombe, Pennington, Watson (captain), 37. Manly: Harman, Fuller, Austin, Wright (captain), 21. Majority for Ashfield, 16 points.
No. 2 Rink.—Ashfield: Elphinstone, Ross, Reid, Bailey (captain), 17. Manly: Custer, Hoskins, Lough, Passau (captain), 26. Majority for Manly, 9 points.
No. 3 Rink.—Ashfield: Turner, Gourlay, Bolster, Auld (captain), 28. Manly: Waugh, Holmes, Unitt, Lockmann (captain), 14. Majority for Ashfield, 14 points.
Totals.—Ashfield, 82; Manly, 61. Majority for Ashfield, 21 points.

BALMAIN V. CHATSWOOD.

The Balmain and Chatswood "B" teams met in the pennant competition at the Waverley green on Saturday afternoon. There was a good attendance of spectators. Both teams began well, playing evenly during the first two heads. Balmain then showed the better form, being more accurate in their drawing shots. The game was won by Balmain by 43 points. Chatswood having by this match lost two games are out of the running, and consequently will not play in the subsequent competition matches.
Mr. E. Barnes, of the Waverley Club, made an efficient umpire and scorer.
The following are the rinks and scores:—
No. 1.—Balmain: N. Booth, H. Fricke, A. Marshall, and J. A. Lawes (captain), 30. Chatswood: E. Ward, Captain Pritchard, H. G. Freeman, and H. A. Dixon (captain), 19.
No. 2.—Balmain: J. A. Brodie, J. Doutty, H. B. Cohen, and Dr. Wilson (captain), 25. Chatswood: R. Y. Smith, V. Crawford, T. W. Jago, and W. Wilkie (captain), 21.
No. 3.—Balmain: W. H. Heeilen, J. Eller, G. C. Murdoch, and A. G. Crump (captain), 24. Chatswood: J. Green, W. Marr, A. Horrocks, and T. T. Forsyth (captain), 20.
No. 4.—Balmain: W. Turnbull, J. S. Fitzmaurice, W. D. Cruickshank, and J. Strong (captain), 18. Chatswood: L. H. Spanswick, R. T. Forsyth, W. M. Gordon, and W. E. Hoskings (captain), 20.
Totals.—Balmain, 116; Chatswood, 73. Majority for Balmain, 43 points.
Half-hour Scores.—Balmain: 18, 43, 57, 90, 116. Chatswood: 16, 29, 48, 58, 73.

St. George and City met on the Strathfield green, and the Rockdale players notched a good win by 34 points. They established a strong lead in the first half-hour, and the City players could not overhaul them. Scores:—
No. 1 Rink.—St. George: Broome, Pitman, Pernell, Parish, 42. City: Lyons, Travett, Palser, Wallace, 11.
No. 2 Rink.—St. George: Gosbell, Anderson, M'Diarmid, Gibb, 24. City: Kearey, Levy, Gelding, Glenster, 22.
No. 3 Rink.—St. George: Taylor, Kemp, Davis, Wyatt, 29. City: Riley, Niles, Lennin, Chapman, 24.
Half-hour Scores.—St. George, 26, 40, 55, 71, 95; City, 12, 24, 40, 48, 57.

OTHER MATCHES.

GLADSTONE PARK v. VICTORIA PARK.

On Saturday a friendly three-rink match was played on the Gladstone Park green at Balmain between teams representing the Gladstone Park and Victoria Park clubs, in which the home team proved the victors, defeating their opponents by 76 points to 58. Gladstone Park opened with a good lead, which they maintained and increased to the finish. Following were the rinks and scores:—
No. 1 Rink.—Gladstone Park: H. Jesson, W. M'Kinley, J. C. Waterman, and A. Settree (captain), 25. Victoria Park: T. Howard, G. Kent, M'Kenzie, and Taft (captain), 12. Majority for Gladstone Park, 13 points.
No. 2 Rink.—Gladstone Park: Wolff, Dogwell, Dinewell, and W. M. Garrard (captain), 27. Victoria Park: Lee, Sears, Reese, and Failing (captain), 22. Majority for Gladstone Park, 5 points.
No. 3 Rink.—Gladstone Park: J. Prentice, V. W. Jones, A. Smith, and H. H. Leston (captain), 24. Victoria Park: J. Boughton (sub.), T. Fraser (sub.), Willings, and Gordon (captain), 24. A tie.
Totals.—Gladstone Park, 76; Victoria Park, 58. Majority for Gladstone Park, 18 points.
Half-hour scores.—Gladstone Park, 16, 35, 56, 66, 76; Victoria Park, 10, 19, 29, 44, 58.

ANNANDALE v. RANDWICK.

A four-rink friendly match was played between the Annandale and Randwick Clubs on the former's green at Kentville on Saturday afternoon, and was won by the home team by a majority of 29 points. Annandale obtained a good lead in the early stages of the game and maintained it to the finish. Following were the rinks and scores:—
No. 1 Rink.—Annandale: Brebant, T. Bowrey, H. J. Waring, and M'Laughlin (captain), 30. Randwick: Lilbury, H. Scott, Scott, Goodwin (captain), 8. Majority for Annandale, 22 points.
No. 2 Rink.—Annandale: Sutton, Francis, Francis, and Jamieson (captain), 18. Randwick: Ward, Gibbs (sub.), Scott, and Raffan (captain), 31. Majority for Randwick, 13 points.
No. 3 Rink.—Annandale: T. Hirgin, Renwick, J. Bowrey, and Dr. M'Ilroy (captain), 30. Randwick: Crouch, Tulloch (sub.), Lewis and Kinnane (captain), 7. Majority for Annandale, 23 points.
No. 4 Rink.—Annandale: Taylor, F. Young, Upton, and J. Young (captain), 21. Randwick: Oatley, Hillier, Ross, and Vernon (captain), 24. Majority for Randwick, 3 points.
Totals: Annandale, 99; Randwick, 70. Majority for Annandale, 29 points.
Half-hour scores: Annandale, 30, 53, 75, 99; Randwick, 11, 25, 48, 70.

ATHLETICS.

EAST MAITLAND CLUB.

WEST MAITLAND, Sunday.

The annual sports meeting of the East Maitland Athletic Club was held on the Bank's-street reserve yesterday. The weather was gloriously fine, and there was a large attendance. The gate receipts amounted to £32 13s. The Hon. J. N. Brunker, M.L.A., was present during the day. The results were as follow:—
Handicap for Boys under 14, 60 yards.—B. R. Sexton, 4 yards, 1; C. Barry, 6 yards, 2; T. Burg, 4 yards, 3.
Allcomers' Handicap, 75 yards, 20 sovs.—R. Ling, 10 yards, 1; T. Wright, 5½ yards, 2; R. J. Neill, 9½ yards, 3. Won by two yards, with Wright and Neill close together. Forty-nine started, including the champion, M'Manus, who won his heat, but was defeated in the second round by Wright.
Hurdle Race, 120 yards.—C. E. De Jarley, 5 yards, 1; W. M'Manus, scratch, 2; P. Scanlon, 7 yards, 3. Won by a breast.
Irish Jig for Children under 13.—Kitty Callaghan, 1; Ethel Ross, 2; Bessie Bower, 3.
Irish Jig, all comers.—Lily Shaw, 1; Kitty Gallaghan, 2.
Highland Fling for children under 13.—Kitty Callaghan, 1; Mary Sheldon, 2; Alice Robertson, 3.
Highland Fling, all comers.—Lily Shaw, 1; Sophie Perry, 2.
Sailors' Hornpipe for Children under 13.—Kitty Callaghan, 1; Rene M'Gilvray, 2.
Sailors' Hornpipe, allcomers.—Lily Shaw, 1; Kitty Callaghan, 2.
Hose Practice for eight men. Prizes £8 10s.—Tighe's Hill, 44 3-5 seconds, 1; Newcastle West, 45 1-5 seconds, 2. Others: Hamilton, 46 4-5; Wallsend, 50 3-5; Adamstown, 55; Stockton, 57 3-5; Minmi, 58.
Hose Practice for four men. Prizes, £4 7s.—New Lambton, 29 seconds, 1; Newcastle West, 30 1-5 seconds, and Wallsend, 30 1-5 seconds, a tie. Others: Merewether, 31; Newcastle Central, 31; Hamilton, 31 3-5; Adamstown, 31 1-5; Minmi, 32; Islington, 33; Stockton, a miss.
Hose and Ladder Practice, 8 men. Prize, £6.—Tighe's Hill, 35 1-5 seconds, 1; Stockton, 37½ seconds, 2. Others: Wallsend, 37 4-5; Hamilton, 38 seconds; Newcastle West, Minmi, and New Lambton, a miss each.
Hose Practice for two men.—Tighe's Hill, 31 4-5 seconds, 1; Newcastle Central, 33 4-5 seconds, 2. Others: Islington, 34; Merewether, 34; Stockton, 34 1-5; Minmi, 34 1-5; Minmi, 35; Newcastle West, 36 1-5; New Lambton, a miss.
Engine Practice for four men.—Wallsend, 27 4-5 seconds, 1; Newcastle West, 29 seconds, 2; Tighe's Hill, 32 seconds; Waratah, 32 2-5; Newcastle Central, 33 2-5; Stockton, a miss.

WEST MAITLAND, Sunday.

Brown and Sooley's 19th Federal Handicap was conducted on the Federal Running Ground last evening in the presence of a large number of spectators. Eighty-two competitors took part, and the final resulted thus:—H. Hawkins, 10¼ yards, 1; T. Berwick, 7¾ yards, 2; B. Ling, 8¾ yards, 3; J. Thomal, 11 yards, 4. Betting: Evens Berwick, 6 to 4 Ling, 2 to 1 Thomal and Hawkins. Won by a yard, with the others almost in a line.

PIGEON SHOOTING.

N.S.W. GUN CLUB.

A members' side match took place at the above club's ground on Friday, and 26 competed. Sides were chosen by Messrs. G. R. M'Intosh and H. J. Merewether. Mr. M'Intosh's side won by 2 birds. *Vincent won the trophy for highest score on Mr. Merewether's side at the twelfth round, after a tie with F. W. Hill and J. E. Meynink. Mr. R. A. Hill won the trophy on Mr. M'Intosh's side on the eighth bird after a tie with J. V. Kirby. Following are the scores:—
Mr. M'Intosh's Team.—R. A. Hill (27) and J. V. Kirby (28), 7; A. W. Eales (32½), *Walter (29), Modini (25), M'Intosh, captain (28), P. Glennister (23), and A. J. Usher (21), 6; *Ornban (21), C. A. Haley (23), *Teralba (21), 5; *Jackson (27), 3. Total, 74.
Mr. Merewether's Team.—*Vincent (29), F. W. Hill (23), and J. E. Meynink (22), 7; W. F. Lawson (25½), A. H. Emanuel (21), *Canuck (25), 6; *Tierce (25), *Charles (24), A. Hill (21), H. J. Merewether (29), and *Herbert (33), 5; *Derrima (21) and *Beauby (27), 4. Total, 72.
A sweepstake followed, and A. W. Eales (32½), F. W. Hill (29), R. A. Hill (27), and J. E. Meynink (22) divided it, killing 11.
* Assumed.

THE TICK QUESTION.

THE CONTINGENT HORSES.

AN OFFICIAL COMMUNICATION.

The Premier informed a "Herald" reporter on Saturday that the following letter had been forwarded by Mr. Perry on behalf of the Minister for Agriculture to Mr. D. H. Dalrymple, Minister for Agriculture, Brisbane:—

"I desire, although I do so with regret, to complain of the serious risk to which our stockowners have been subjected and still are, through the great want of care bestowed in inspecting the contingent horses, which arrived at Wallangarra on the afternoon of Sunday last on their way to Sydney. It would appear that the usual declaration and certificate were granted in this case for these horses, the person in whose charge they were declaring them to be free from tick, and the inspector examining them certifying that he had no reason to doubt the truth of the declaration. . . . . They must either have hoped that the single dipping that they had received had effected a cure in the case of those which had been infested and dipped, or if they had not been dipped that the dipping that they were to receive before they left Brisbane would clean them. . . . . It has been a clear understanding between the two States that there should not be any stock, which was known or even suspected to be infested, brought to the border for admission. The Queensland owners' declaration is to that effect, and so is the inspector's certificate. The understanding between the States has, therefore, been broken, and the declaration and certificate were misleading in the case of these contingent horses, by Queensland sending on the seven tick-infested animals amongst the rest. They were not brought to the crossing at Wallangarra, but taken off at Stanthorpe, which was worse even than if they had been brought to the border, for they would there have been under the eye of the inspector. It would seem no one exercised proper authority over the horses, and the people belonging to the town keep picking off and carrying away the ticks, some of which at least were living, and thus entailing a very great risk of spreading the tick to cattle in a part of Queensland on our border which is considered favourable for the propagation of ticks. One could scarcely imagine a more certain means of spreading the disease than this; and it was a serious case of neglect on the part of those who gave instructions to take the seven horses off the train not to give directions to strictly isolate them, or what would have been better, to return them to Brisbane. . . . . The withdrawal of these seven horses would, however, have availed them nothing. The examination of those taken to Wallangarra had only proceeded for a short time when one of the other horses was found to have a good many live ticks upon it, some of which have been received (in formaline) in Sydney. On these being found the inspection was stopped, though there is every reason to suppose that other horses in this lot were also infested. When intimation was first received that these horses were coming to Sydney it was understood that they were, like other cavalry horses, regularly worked and groomed, that the contingent horses were horses in actual work, and that, as in the case of other horses of that class, there would be sufficient opportunity, while grooming and working them, of finding whether or not they were infested; and, of course, if they were found to be so, they would not be sent on to this State. It was never contemplated that, although it might be known that they were infested, they would be dipped and sent on, leaving it to chance whether or not the dipping was successful. The tenor of our declaration and certificate (B3) completely refutes such assumption. With the experience of the ruinous losses caused by tick in Queensland, with which we sincerely sympathise, and the knowledge of the incalculable injury which its introduction would inflict on the cattle-rearing and dairying interests of this State, we have, as you are aware, taken every possible precaution to prevent the pest from crossing the border, and, I am glad to say, so far, with your assistance, successfully. I hope, therefore, that you will continue this assistance, and especially that you will not relax your restrictions on horses in actual work, which experience has shown are really more likely to spread the tick than cattle, for they are harder to keep under supervision, and travel two or three times further in a day. If this is not done it may be necessary for this State to make the regulations with respect to the stock traffic from your State more stringent."

THE CRY OF THE CHILDREN.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—The need of doing something of a practical kind for the "waifs and strays" of the city streets and country towns is one of rapidly increasing urgency. It is a matter of most momentous concern to the Churches and the State. Young lives, oftentimes capable of noblest, measureless moral and mental development are physically dwarfed, mentally debased, and morally destroyed by a crime-producing environment which neither Church nor State can control, change, or even effectively check, until counter influences are brought into sympathetic and strenuous play through the establishment of homes or schools in which the accident of birth, the ills of misfortune, and the bias of a life shadowed and stained by ignoble hereditary instincts and impulses might be gradually, generously, and graciously corrected. The so-called "gutterusnipe," "street Arab or gamin," the curt-mannered "cheeky, foul-mouthed young larrikin," are, however, not infrequently the offspring of parents who would gladly consent to their boys being placed in an industrial school or home, from which in a few years they might issue forth as trained agriculturists and artisans, and perhaps some of them as alumni of our higher schools, colleges, and universities. Of how many thousands who have graduated in the gutter, spent their lives Ishmael-like with their hands against every man, and every man's hand against them, and have ultimately made their exit off life's stage "unwept, unhonoured, and unsung," might it not be said—

Evil passions cherished long
Had ploughed them with impressions strong,

and—

Rooted stood in manhood's hour
The weeds of vice without their flower.
And yet the soil in which they grew,
Had it been tamed when life was new,
Had depth of vigour to bring forth
The hardier fruits of virtuous worth.

Here, surely, if anywhere, the old adage is true, "Prevention is better than cure." Youthhood, not old manhood, offers the finest field for redeeming agencies, and gives fairest promise of richest results. In the "life" that is "now" what possibilities lie for good or evil! The wisest, the worthiest, the humblest, and the holiest of thinkers and teachers recognised the value of the "new life" when He said, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me," &c.

The State is doing much; it might easily do more. The Churches as a whole regard the matter sympathetically. One—the Roman Catholic—has given yet another proof of its practical wisdom by the establishment and successful maintenance of an industrial school at Westmead. The leaders of the Salvation Army are apparently eager to follow suit on similar lines. Is the Church of England too inert to attempt anything of the kind? There are manifold reasons why she should bare her arms for the work. Nearly one-half of the population of the State nominally proclaim allegiance to her. A large percentage of the "waifs and strays," if baptised at all, have been baptised by her clergy, and so enrolled on her registers. Is it not her duty, therefore, to do something more than merely commiserate the lot of the "drifting," and furnish chaplains for the "drowning and the drowned?" Is she not guilty of a criminal surrender of an invaluable portion of her vast and varied inheritance by her attitude toward the ill-clad, ill-fed, ill-housed, and ill-trained young of her flocks and fold? The time is opportune. Public sentiment is being awakened, and it needs only that the right chord be struck to elicit a golden response. The way to make a beginning is open. The Industrial Schools Act, passed years ago, holds out the promise of monetary help. Buildings erected at Liverpool and long known as Moore College are at present, I believe, unused. The position is an excellent one. Land attached thereto or obtainable, it is presumed, at no great distance therefrom, could be profitably utilised; e.g., the Westmead Institution. Aid financially might reasonably be sought at the hands of the trustees of the Moore Estate. The work would be largely educational even in a theoretical sense, and would be at least equal in importance to that carried on in our parochial schools. It is certainly more necessitous. The movement once begun would grow apace. The shame of being dependent on outside organisations for a home and a training for those belonging to the Church would be removed. A wealth of life now wasted would be conserved, and the future, it may be, of millions brightened and blessed with the blessing which brings no sorrow with it. Episcopal sanction and patronage can surely be won for such a project. In the earnest hope that something definite will be speedily done,

I am, &c.,
J. HOWELL PRICE.
Richmond, Feb. 6.

ENGLISH CRICKETERS.

MATCH AGAINST BATHURST.

A DRAWN GAME.

QUAIFE CARRIES HIS BAT THROUGH FOR 159.

BATHURST, Saturday.

The above match was resumed at noon to-day. There was again a good attendance. MacLaren and Quaife (not out men) resumed to the bowling of Lipscombe and Allman. MacLaren, soon after starting, played forward to a ball from Allman and was stumped by Rouse. 8-79-423. The English captain played sterling cricket and gave only one chance. Tyldesley filled the vacancy and obtained 14, at which he succumbed to Allman, being caught at short square-leg by Barnes. 9-14-439. Hayward was the last man. Allman, who was bowling well, had secured two wickets for 13 as his morning performance. Quaife now sent Lipscombe's second ball in the over for 4, bringing his score to 141, and presently the scoring board showed 450. Hayward added singles, with an occasional 4, while Quaife advanced to 150. Hayward scored two pairs off Payne and then put Allman to the boundary for 4, two balls in succession, and sent the last of the over for 5. M'Phillamy now relieved Allman, but the runs came freely, and 500 was hoisted, but, with the addition of 5, the innings closed, M'Phillamy clean bowling Hayward. Quaife was not out 159.

The Western team commenced their innings at 1.15, Hives and Barnes going to the wickets. Woods opened the attack to Hives, and sent down a maiden. Gunn bowled from the other end. At luncheon the board showed none for 17.

On resuming Gunn bowled to Hives, 2 resulting from the over; 4 came to Barnes off Woods, off whose succeeding over Barnes made another 4, and a 5 went down to the credit of the same batsman. Gunn's run of maidens was broken by Barnes, who got him away for two 4's. Several more runs were added, and then Hives was well taken by Garnett behind the wicket off Woods. 1-16-48. Poidevin followed, and opened with 4 off Gunn. The same batsman got Woods away for 2 and 4. Runs were coming quickly, and Braund relieved Woods, Poidevin scoring two 4's off his first over. Then Barnes was dismissed, caught by Gunn. 2-33-75. Gilmore filled the vacancy, and failed to score, being stumped by Garnett off Braund with the total at 79. Lipscombe came next, and when 4 had been added he lost his partner. 4-26-83. Holdship and Lipscombe carried the total to 112, at which the latter was bowled by M'Gahey. 5-14-112. Rouse came next, made a single off M'Gahey, and was then caught by Tyldesley off Braund. 6-1-115. Payne opened his account with 5 off Braund, then made 4 off M'Gahey, who, however, clean bowled him. 7-9-131. Adjournment for afternoon tea was now taken. Continuing, Smith partnered Holdship, and 2 off M'Gahey brought the latter's score to 20. Woods was given another turn with the ball, M'Gahey going off. Holdship lifted Braund to the boundary, and a brilliant left-hand catch caused his dismissal. 8-31-151. T. Reed joined Smith, who was out 3 runs later, caught by Tyldesley off Braund. 9-6-154. Kirkpatrick came next, but was at once bowled by Woods. 10-0-158. Crowhurst followed, saw a leg-bye registered, and was bowled by Braund. 11-0-159. M'Phillamy soon ran into double figures, when Reed was caught by Woods off Braund. 12-3-173. Allman, who succeeded, was out without any alteration in the total. A. Reed joined M'Phillamy, made 1, then saw his partner got rid of by a catch by Tyldesley off Woods. Hare, who followed, was stumped by Robson. 15-0-177. The end soon came, Kerr, who joined Reed, being caught by Quaife, and Woods holding one from Reed the innings closed for 177. Scores:—

ENGLAND.—First Innings.

Quaife, not out	159
Gunn, b Allman	0
Braund, c Lipscombe, b Allman	5
M'Gahey, c Payne, b Kerr	71
Robson, b Allman	9
Jessop, c Rouse, b Allman	0
Garnett, b Smith	89
Woods, lbw, b Smith	0
MacLaren, st Rouse, b Allman	79
Tyldesley, c Barnes, b Allman	14
Hayward, b M'Phillamy	44
Sundries	35
Total	505

Bowling Analysis.—Allman, 6 wickets for 174 runs; Lipscombe, 0 for 62; Payne, 0 for 72; Kerr, 1 for 51; M'Phillamy, 1 for 27; Barnes, 0 for 21; Hoy, 0 for 20; Smith, 2 for 41; Holdship, 0 for 3.

BATHURST EIGHTEEN.—First Innings.

Hives, c Garnett, b Woods	16
Barnes, c Gunn, b Braund	33
Gilmore, st Garnett, b Braund	0
Lipscombe, b M'Gahey	14
Poidevin, st Garnett, b Braund	26
Holdship, c Gunn, b Braund	30
R. E. Rouse, c Tyldesley, b Braund	1
Payne, b M'Gahey	9
Smith, c Tyldesley, b Braund	6
Reed, c Woods, b Braund	3
Crowhurst, b Braund	0
Kirkpatrick, b Woods	0
M'Phillamy, c Tyldesley, b Woods	12
Allman, b Braund	0
A. Reed, c Woods, b Braund	2
Hare, st Robson, b Braund	0
Kerr, c Quaife, b Braund	0
Hoy, not out	0
Sundries	25
Total	177

Bowling.—Woods, 3 wickets for 54; Gunn, 0 for 36; Braund, 12 for 48; M'Gahey, 2 for 14.

RESULTS OF TOUR.

The following are the results of the English tour to date:—

Date.	Against.	Where played.	Result.
Nov. 9-12	Sth. Australia	Adelaide	S. A. by 233 runs.
Nov. 15-18	Victoria	Melbourne	Eng. by 118 runs.
Nov. 22-27	N.S. Wales	Sydney	N.S. Wales by 50 runs.
Nov. 29-30	Albion C.C. 18	W. Maitland	Drawn—A.C.C. 15-556, Eng. 5-221
Dec. 2-3	Northern Border	Glen Innes	Eng., by innings and 89.
Dec. 4-5	New England 18	Armidale	Dr'wn—Eng., 254, 7-204; N. Eng., 112.
Dec. 7-9	Newcastle District 15	Newcastle	Drawn—Eng., 315 and 216; Newcastle, 241 and none for 73.
Dec. 13-16	Australia	Sydney	Eng., by innings and 124 runs.
Dec. 20-21	Goulburn district 18	Goulburn	England by six wickets.
Dec. 26-28	Bendigo United C.C. 19	Bendigo	Drawn—Eng. 341 and five for 203; Bendigo 295.
Jan. 1-4	Australia	Melbourne	Aus., by 229 runs
Jan. 8-9	Stawell 18	Stawell	Drawn—Eng., 9 for 626 and three for 164; Stawell, 130.
Jan. 10-11	Ballarat 18	Ballarat	Drawn—Engla'd, 403; Ballarat, ten for 235.
Jan. 17-23	Australia	Adelaide	Aus., by 4 wickets
Jan. 25-28	Victorian Country 16	Melbourne	England, by 10 wickets.
Jan 31-Feb. 5	N. S. Wales	Sydney	Eng., by innings and 128 runs.
Feb. 7-8	Bathurst 18	Bathurst	Drawn—Engla'd, 505; Bathurst, 177.

Won 6, lost 4, drawn 7.

ENGAGEMENTS.

The engagements of the Englishmen are:—
Feb. 10-11—Visit Mount Victoria or Katoomba.
14-19—Play Australia, No. 4, Sydney.
19—Leave Sydney 5.15 p.m. for Melbourne.
22-25—Play Victoria, No. 2 Match, Melbourne.
Mar. 1-5—Play Australia, No. 5, Melbourne.
8—Leave Melbourne 1.40 p.m. for Adelaide.
Leave Adelaide 4.50 p.m. for Broken Hill.
11-12—Play Barrier Ranges Cricket Association (18), Broken Hill.
12—Leave Broken Hill 8.45 p.m. for Adelaide.
14-18—Play South Australia, No. 2 Match, Adelaide.
20—Leave by R.M.S. Omrah for England.

THE FOURTH TEST MATCH.

THE CLAIMS OF MARSH.

Messrs. H. Trumble and C. Hill will arrive from Melbourne to-morrow for the purpose of assisting in the selection of and playing in the fourth test match, which will begin on Friday. The other selector is Mr. M. A. Noble. It will not be known until the Victorian and the South Australian have an interview with the New South Wales representative when the team will be chosen. In view of the performances of Marsh this year it would be well if the selection were delayed, and Marsh afforded an opportunity of showing the selectors what his form and delivery are like. His bowling results in grade cricket are well worth quoting. They are as follow:—Two for 27 and seven for 19, against Leichhardt-Balmain; five for 114, against Paddington; two for 74, against North Sydney; five for 31, against Glebe; seven for 27 and three for 32, against Central Cumberland; and eight for 34, against Burwood. In inter-state cricket last year he took 24 wickets at a cost of 22·37. He has change his action since last year to such an extent that many who were then of the opinion that his delivery was a throw, now say that it is above suspicion. The necessity for unearthing a new bowler is emphasised by the huge score obtained by the Englishmen against New South Wales. The only bowlers new to that team, who may be included in the fourth test match are Trumble, Saunders, Howell, and Jones. The last mentioned is not by any means the dangerous bowler he was four or five years ago. His want of pace has taken all the sting out of his bowling. Howell is also doubtful. Saunders, after a disappointing season, bowled well against the New South Wales team, which included a lot of untried men, and fears are entertained that Trumble, on the perfect Sydney wicket, will not be dangerous. Undoubtedly a new bowler with a style new to the Englishmen is required. The general feeling is that the Englishmen have the Australian attack collared. It may here be stated that there are rumours going around that the exclusion of Marsh from the Bathurst team was due to an understanding between MacLaren and Noble. Anyone who devotes a moment's consideration to the suggestion will be fully seized of the impossibility of such an arrangement. Others state that the reason is to be found in Marsh's conduct with the New South Wales team. Mr. A. W. Green, who was manager of the team that visited South Australia and Victoria last year, on being questioned about this matter at the pavilion of the Sydney Cricket Ground on Saturday afternoon, said that there was no truth whatever in the statement, and, further, that his (Marsh's) behaviour was commendable. In view of the bad way we are in with regard to bowlers, it would be well if the selectors invited Marsh to the practice nets.

COUNTRY NEWS.

TOUR OF THE RAILWAY COMMISSIONERS.

WINDSOR, Saturday.

A large deputation of residents of Windsor and Richmond will wait on the Railway Commissioners on Tuesday next to urge an improved railway service.

TAMWORTH, Saturday.

The Railway Commissioners, who have been on a tour of inspection of the Northern line, were waited upon by a deputation representing the municipal council and the producing class at the railway station on Saturday afternoon. Mr. R. J. Walsh, M.L.A., and Mr. H. C. Ison, Mayor of Tamworth, brought several matters under the notice of the Commissioners including the establishment of refreshment rooms at Tamworth, which Mr. Oliver, Chief Commissioner, said would receive attention. Mr. Oliver, in reply to a question, said the Commissioners had decided to provide better accommodation for goods, &c., at Tamworth goods shed. He promised to erect an umbrella for produce at Nemingha Siding. The matter of the scarcity of trucks was pointed out to the Commissioners, who replied that they were doing all in their power to meet the demand.

ACCIDENTS AND FATALITIES.

BROKEN HILL, Saturday.

A miner named Thomas Collins was sent to the hospital to-day with a badly crushed foot. He was barring-down in the Proprietary mine, on the 500ft. level stopes, when a piece of rock fell on the foot.

DUNGOG, Friday.

A youth named Wilkerson recently received a kick from a horse and several of his ribs were fractured.

PENRITH, Sunday.

Yesterday, E. C. Burrows, while assisting to put a steam launch on a trolly, tripped and fell over one of the struts placed between the bulwarks. It is feared that several of his ribs are broken.

WYALONG, Friday.

News arrived here last night that George Wooten Neeld, one of the original Wyalong prospectors, had committed suicide in Melbourne, where he was on a summer visit with his family. Deceased was a man of considerable wealth and was only about 30 years of age.

YOUNG, Friday.

A painful accident happened to Mr. J. C. Watson, Greenbank, yesterday morning, while driving through his Cudgel Creek paddock with luncheon for the men who were going away with fat sheep. His dog was in the sulky, and it became startled and tried to jump out. Mr. Watson caught hold of the dog, but lost his balance and fell out, a wheel of the vehicle passing over his legs and face and inflicting severe injuries. Although so knocked about Mr. Watson hung on to the reins and partially recovered from the shock. Some of the men came to his assistance, and he was taken through the paddock on to the main road. He arrived in town about 3 o'clock.

BROKEN HILL MINES' ASSESSMENT CASES.

BROKEN HILL, Saturday.

A communication has been received from Melbourne that the company's costs in the Block 14 rates case, which the Broken Hill municipality has to pay, amount to a trifle over £2000, independent of the costs incurred by the other six companies.

THE OPAL ROBBERY.

WILCANNIA, Saturday.

Last night news was received that a small parcel of opal intact, which was stolen from the White Cliffs mailbag, had been found in a paddock near Topar mail change, Broken Hill road, also the opal tube, which had been planted in a hollow tree. The police are investigating the matter.

A GARROTING CASE.

WAGGA, Sunday.

A case of garroting and robbery, presenting rather serious aspects, occurred in Wagga on Saturday evening. It appears a young married woman, the wife of Mr. Patrick Duffy, a well-known drover, was returning from a visit to her sister, and when passing a dark spot near the Morrow-street crossing of the Wollundry lagoon, within 200 yards of the Town Hall, a man sprang out, and snatching her purse with his left hand, dealt a heavy blow with the right. The woman's face was badly cut about, a gash laying the side of the nose open. The screams of the woman brought several persons to the spot, but only in time to see the assailant make off along the lagoon, where he disappeared in the darkness. The woman was removed to a doctor for treatment, and then taken home.

FIRES.

QUEANBEYAN, Saturday.

A fire broke out in the camp of road men employed near Gudgenby-road on Thursday, destroying five tents, one sulky and harness, several guns, one bicycle, saddlery, wearing apparel, and money.

LOCAL OPTION VOTE.

PICTON, Saturday.

At the local option vote taken here to-day two votes only were recorded, both being against the granting of new licenses and removals.

THE HOSPITALS.

CARCOAR, Friday.

The hospital officers are:—Secretary, Mr. C. J. Derwin; treasurer, Mr. V. D. Macdermott; medical officer, Dr. A. W. Hawthorne.

DUBBO, Saturday.

The adjourned meeting of subscribers to the Dubbo Hospital was held at the Town Hall on Friday evening. The annual report and balance-sheet were adopted. The ballot papers for the election of committeemen represented 118 voters; two were informal. The result was as follows:—Revs. J. T. Main, 89; E. H. Lea, 70; J. J. Brophy, 66; Messrs. E. H. Mumford, 98; E. H. Utley, 93; J. A. Eusby, 92; J. E. M'Kenzie, 86; J. S. Sherry, 83; W. Moseley, 77; J. Ritter, 76; H. Nicholls, 76; A. Orbell, 74. These were declared elected. The other candidates were:—Messrs. J. Field, 64; A. T. Wood, 60; R. Hall, 52; R. T. MacNevin, 50; W. J. Price, 28.

PENRITH, Friday.

The adjourned meeting of subscribers of the Nepean Cottage Hospital for the purpose of ascertaining the result of the ballot was held in the council-chambers to-night. Mr. F. D. Woodriff, Mayor of Penrith, was in the chair. The result showed that the following gentlemen were elected:—Committee, Messrs. A. Judges, D. M'Donald, S. E. Lees, J. K. Lethbridge, Rev. Mr. Barlow, J. H. Noble, the Rev. B. Dunning, F. D. Woodriff, T. Clissold, the Rev. J. M'Kee, R. Hamilton, A. Colless. For auditors: Messrs. A. E. Baker, and E. G. Cooper.

QUEANBEYAN, Saturday.

The hospital appointments are:—Medical officers, Dr. Richardson and Dr. Blackall; treasurer, Mr. Cadden; secretary, Mr. Downey.

Matron Gulliford has been appointed matron at the Carcoar Hospital.

TAMWORTH, Friday.

The following officers have been elected for the ensuing year in connection with the local hospital:—President, Mr. N. Cohen; hon. treasurer, Mr. C. Regan; hon. secretary, Mr. A. J. Creagh; matron, Miss Yerbery; medical officers, Drs. Harris and Walley.

The matron of the hospital reports that during the month of January 19 male and 5 female patients were admitted, 15 males and 4 females were discharged, and there were remaining in the institution at the end of the month 16 males and 6 females.

TUMUT, Friday.

The hospital officers are:—President, Mr. R. Donaldson, M.L.A.; vice-presidents, Messrs. S. Groves and C. Fraser; treasurer, Mr. J. Weeden; secretary, Mr. N. Emanuel. Miss Spark, of Maitland, has been appointed matron at £50 per year.

THE LATE MRS. WILKINSON.

BOWRAL, Friday.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Wilkinson took place this morning, the remains being interred in the family vault at the cemetery attached to St. Simon and St. Jude's Church of England. The funeral was very largely attended, many friends coming from a distance. The remains were conveyed from the parsonage to the church, where a short service was conducted, the "Dead March" being played by the organist. The officiating clergymen at the services in the church and at the grave were Canon F. B. Boyce (St. Paul's, Redfern), the Rev. George Sheppard (rural dean, Holy Trinity Church, Berrima), and the Rev. H. R. Elder (Enfield). The coffin was covered with beautiful wreaths.

THE CHURCHES.

BLACKHEATH, Saturday.

At the monthly meeting of St. Aidan's branch of the Mother's Union, held in the parish hall yesterday afternoon, Mrs. Cecil King, of Camden read an instructive paper on the responsibility of mothers.

DUNGOG, Friday.

Prayers for rain have been offered up in the Baptist churches of the district.

GOULBURN, Friday.

Father J. M. Ryan, formerly administrator of the Goulburn parish, was last night, prior to his removal to Wyalong, presented by the parishioners with an address and 65 sovereigns, and by the women's branch of the Sacred Heart Society with an address and 20 sovereigns. Bishop Gallagher was present, and spoke very highly of the departing priest. Other presentations were made during the week, bringing the total donation to about 100 guineas.

INVERELL, Friday.

The annual meeting of the congregation of the Presbyterian Church was held to-day. The balance-sheet, reports, &c., were presented and adopted. The sum of £20 was voted to the Rev. R. M. Legate.

LAKE BATHURST, Sunday.

St. John's Sunday school held their annual picnic on Thursday last, and it was very successful. Harvest festival services were held here last Sunday. The church has been much improved by gifts of "Glacier" stained glass windows. These have been given by Mrs. Stanley Best, Mrs. Miles, Mrs. Reynolds, and Mr. E. D. Austen of Sydney. The Rev. Stanley Best, Rector of St. John's Parish, has obtained leave of absence for six months, and leaves for Europe, via America, per steamer Moana on March 24. The Rev. H. Wilson is to act as locum tenens during his absence.

ORANGE, Friday.

At a conference yesterday of the Bishop of Bathurst and clergymen it was decided to request the Premier to set apart a day of humiliation and prayer for rain.

PICTON, Saturday.

The annual congregational meeting of the local Presbyterian church was held last night, when a satisfactory report and balance-sheet were adopted. The Rev. John Walker, in connection with the Century Thanksgiving Fund, delivered a stirring address, and over £150 was promised in money, being allocated towards the erection of a manse here.

SPRINGWOOD, Saturday.

A concert was given last night in the Church of England parish hall on behalf of the Springwood Church Institute. The entertainment was of a high-class character, in which the Misses Frances and Shadforth Hooper, of Sydney, took a prominent part; also Mr. Bevan Neave.

ST. MARYS, Friday.

Special prayers for rain were offered up in Church of England on Wednesday night, and in the Presbyterian church.

TUMUT, Friday.

The foreign mission collections last year amounted to £7 11s 6d. The Rev. E. J. Piper, representative of the Foreign Mission Society of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, delivered a lecture on "Life in China" at the Wesleyan Church on Tuesday. The Rev. J. K. Turner presided.

DEACONESS HIGH SCHOOL.

OPENED BY THE PRIMATE.

BEGA, Friday.

The Church of England Deaconess High School, lately inaugurated here, was officially opened by the Primate to-day. There was a large and representative assembly. The speakers included the Rev. M. Archdall and the Rev. F. Bevan.

The Archbishop in the course of his remarks referred to the magnificent building secured by the energy and liberality of the Church of England residents in order to secure a high-class education based on the principles of their Church for their children, in a climate and environment unsurpassed in the State.

The grounds, which were beautifully decorated, presented a brilliant appearance, and at the conclusion of the ceremony the entire company was entertained by the ladies of the congregation at afternoon tea on the lawn. It was announced that the cost of the property was £2100, of which sum about £500 had been actually paid over. There are at present about 50 pupils. The Primate, who is a guest of Mr. P. H. Wood, of Yarranung, proceeds on the 9th instant to Bodalla, via Cobargo.

THE MINING INDUSTRY.

LITHGOW, Friday.

Mr. T. T. Wilton, of the Lithgow Coal Association, stated to-day that the coal trade at present is very brisk. Unfortunately, full advantage cannot be taken owing to a sufficient supply of hoppers and trucks not being available for filling shipping orders and to the uncertain supply of ordinary waggons. "This week," he says, "we lost a sale of 1109 tons for shipping through the inability of the Railway Department to give us hoppers." That means in wages alone to the miners a loss of about £120.

Mr. William Longworth, general manager of the Cobar Copper syndicate, when seen here, said the furnaces recently laid idle at Cobar would be again started, and 200 men who had been put off re-engaged. The Commissioners had granted a concession of 25 per cent. on freight for the carriage of coke, and of 12½ per cent. reduction on matte until the end of June, but Mr. Longworth thought these reductions should have been permanent. The furnaces here are to be restarted as soon as possible, but the full number of men will not be put on for perhaps a week. It was intended a short time ago to erect a plant for the manufacture of sulphuric acid, but the low price of copper temporarily upset the plans. Mr. Longworth now states that if the outlook continues to brighten the work will be proceeded with.

QUARTER SESSIONS AND DISTRICT COURT.

LISMORE, Saturday.

At the Lismore Quarter Sessions on Friday John Walsh, charged with larceny, was acquitted, and Michael Smith, charged with stealing a log of cedar, was also acquitted. The remaining case will be heard on Tuesday.

In the District Court the municipal council sued Bishop Doyle for the recovery of the sum of £58 14s 8d, arrears of rates on the Roman Catholic Church. Mr. Mack appeared for the council. Mr. Sheridan for the defendant. The defence was that the council could not recover the rates due previous to April, 1892; secondly, that the property being church property was not ratable; and thirdly, that the notice of assessment had not been received by the defendant. The council being unable to prove service of the notice of assessment was nonsuited. When the question of costs was subsequently argued his Honor declined to allow costs to the defendant.

DENILIQUIN, Friday.

The District Court was concluded to-day. The shearing appeal case, Falkiner v. Wood, was postponed till next court owing to the absence of Mr. Falkiner, who is in New Zealand.

AGRICULTURAL AND PASTORAL.

BEGA, Saturday.

The disease blackleg has broken out in the district amongst young cattle, and is more prevalent in the northern part of the district. A number of young cattle have already succumbed.

CONDOBOLIN, Friday.

The first cases under the new system of balloting were held before the land board yesterday. Most interest was taken in the settlement lease, por. 91 and 92, parish Bogandillon. In each case there were 11 applicants, and seven were allowed to ballot for por. 91 and nine for 92. The ballots were held to-day, and J. M. Davidson was the successful applicant for por. 91, and his sister, Miss C. L. Davidson, for por. 92.

DAYSDALE, Friday.

Poison is laid in all the paddocks around Daysdale to try to cope with the rabbit pest.

DUBBO, Friday.

Mr. R. G. Dulhunty, district stock inspector, has received a communication from the Stock Department respecting a live rabbit forwarded from Dubbo, supposed to be affected with worms, stating the rabbit is suffering from septic abscess and not worms, and asking for another specimen.

The district stock returns for the past year are as follows:—Horses, 13,600; cattle, 16,419; sheep, 1,626,409.

The Dubbo rabbit inspector visited Oxley, Tomingley, Peak Hill, Derribong, Dandaloo, Nevertire, Ellengerah, Bundemar, and Narromine during January, and found the rabbits had come in from the back country in great numbers to the Bogan and Macquarie Rivers, where they are more numerous than they ever have been before. In some places the rabbits are starving for want of grass and can be killed with sticks. They are too weak to get away. Poisoned water is used with great success.

DUNGOG, Friday.

Graziers expect very few fat cattle during the year owing to the scarcity of grass and water.

A terrific dust storm occurred last night. At 8 a.m. yesterday the temperature was 100° and at noon 109°.

The removal of Wade's cornflour mill to Sydney is a great loss to the town.

Saturday.

Over 200 acres of corn were spoiled on the river through the drought. Dairymen are cutting the corn for stock.

LAKE BATHURST, Sunday.

The country is very dry and rain is badly needed. People in parts of the district are carting water three miles for drinking purposes.

LISMORE, Friday.

At a meeting of delegates of the different district branches of the New South Wales Dairy Farmers' Union, held here, it was decided that it was desirable to have an executive in this district, governed by the Dairy Farmers' Unions. A sub-committee was appointed to draft rules. A long discussion took place in regard to the present method of electing directors of pastures and stock boards. The date of election is fixed by the Minister, and on more than one occasion the Lismore secretary, it was stated, had received word of the date three days after the appointed day had passed, consequently the old directors were re-elected. It was decided that it be a recommendation to next conference to approach the Minister in order to have the next election of stock board directors by ballot conducted through the post.

MILLTHORPE, Friday.

Last night the Millthorpe Agricultural Association decided to purchase 60 acres for a showground from Messrs. Warburton at £12 per acre.

MUDGEE, Friday.

The Pastures and Stock Board paid £96 18s 2d for noxious animals' scalps. The credit balance is £92 19s 3d.

The district stock returns are:—Horses, 11,380; cattle, 30,148; sheep, 662,421.

QUEANBEYAN, Saturday.

In cutting up for removal the carcase of a horse, some men found that the inner membrane was coated with the larvæ of the bot fly.

RAYMOND TERRACE, Saturday.

Captains Gribbon and Markwell selected about £250 worth of horses for South Africa here to-day. A fair number was forward, but the majority were not suitable.

RICHMOND, Friday.

Mr. Brinsley Hall, member for the Hawkesbury, was to-day unanimously elected president of the Hawkesbury District Agricultural Association, in the room of Dr. Calligham, resigned.

ROBERTSON, Saturday.

The booths in connection with the Agricultural Society's annual show were disposed of to-day by auction, and realised £27 12s 6d.

TUMBERUMBA, Saturday.

The weather continues dry, with very warm days and cold nights. For the past three nights we have been visited by frosts, which have done a great deal of damage, cutting down all the late potato crops, tomatoes, &c., and severely damaging the grass. A valuable horse recently from Queensland died during last night from the effects of the cold. Rain is badly wanted, and bush fires are raging.

WAGGA, Friday.

At the land board sittings during the last two days 20 appraisement cases were disposed of by agreement. The reductions on Crown appraisement ranged from 25 to 35 per cent.

The increase of foxes in this district is shown by the stock board payment for 99 scalps last month, as compared with 27 in December.

The stock inspector has furnished the following return of stock in the district at the end of 1901:—Horses, 12,633; cattle, 22,989; sheep, 1,401,787; pigs, 4762. Horses show a slight increase on the previous year, cattle a decrease of nearly 4000, and sheep an increase of nearly 300,000.

TUMUT, Saturday.

At a meeting of the Farmers and Settlers' Association this afternoon, Mr. George Clout, sen., was nominated as a candidate at the forthcoming election of directors of the Stock and Pastures Board for large stock, and Mr. Richard Rivers for sheep.

YOUNG, Friday.

The annual meeting of the Burragorang P. and A. Society was held in the Town Hall on Thursday. The president (Mr. D. Mackenzie) occupied the chair. The annual report showed that the society started this year with a credit balance of £187 8s 6d. The total receipts amounted to £815 13s 6d, inclusive of £200 as a Government grant. The expenditure amounted to £691 3s 11d, of which £62 was spent in improvements to the ground, this leaving a debit balance of £38 11s 11d, and a fixed deposit of £350. The report and balance-sheet were adopted. Notices of motion, given by Mr. Forsythe, were then discussed, the following were agreed to:—"That the name of the society shall be the Young Pastoral and Agricultural Society, substituting 'Young' for 'Burragorang,' that the society shall be managed by a committee of 31, to consist of a president, four vice-presidents, 25 of a committee, with a treasurer and hon. secretary."

SOUTH COAST.

BERRY, Saturday.

The total gate receipts at the Berry show were £115. The Roman Catholic tea tent at the show took £40.

CANDELO, Friday.

Mr. J. Edgar, who has been managing Messrs. Foley Brothers', Limited, butter factory at Candelo for the last six months, takes his departure from here for Cobargo, where he has been appointed manager for the newly formed Co-operative Butter Company.

KIAMA, Saturday.

During last year the steamer Civility, engaged in the stone trade, made 173 trips from Kiama to Sydney, carrying about 59,000 tons of blue metal.

MILTON, Friday.

The hon. secretary of the Dowling District Association has received a communication from the Fisheries Department with reference to the opening of Burrill Lake. It is stated that it is the intention of the local engineer of the Harbours and Rivers Department to have the bar of that lake removed very shortly.

MORUYA, Friday.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year in connection with the local benevolent society:—President, Mrs. T. E. Walter; vice-presidents, Mesdames Keating and Downer; treasurer, Mrs. Elliott; secretary, Mrs. J. Emmott; committee, Mesdames Gannon, Caldwell, Flood, Berry, and Gallop; visiting committee, Mesdames Flood and Caldwell.

Saturday.

Mr. T. Hoolahan, accountant at the local branch of the Bank of New South Wales, has been promoted to the position of manager of the security department of the same bank at Adelaide. Last night he was presented with a gold watch, suitably inscribed, by the public. The Mayor made the presentation.

PAMBULA, Saturday.

The annual meeting in connection with the local hospital was held last night. Dr. Morgan's report showed that there had been 52 inmates during the year, 13 being public patients. The public contributions were £36 and the expenditure £31. The total credit balance in hand was about £40. The following five were elected as an executive committee for the ensuing year:—Messrs. Baddelley, Doherty, Hungerford, Martin, and Pfeiffer; treasurer and secretary, Mr. Small.

SUTHERLAND, Friday.

The Congregational Church at Miranda was filled last evening, the occasion being a public send off to Mr. Joseph Meeves who leaves for South Africa with the First Australian Contingent. A very pleasant evening was spent. The health of the young soldier was received with cheers, and he made a few suitable remarks in response.

WOLLONGONG, Friday.

The coal trade at Wollongong and Port Kembla for the week has been brisk, the usual coasters and intercolonial traders taking cargoes of coal and coke. Shipments of coal and coke from the port of Wollongong for the month of January, 1902, were as follows:—Coal from the jetties, 72,977 tons; Belmore Basin, 21,295 tons. Total, 94,272 tons. Coke: S. C. Company, 1486 tons; Port Kembla, 1589 tons. Total, 3075 tons.

The Shell Transport and Trading Company intend opening a depot here and have leased a piece of land from the Railway Commissioners between the railway station and goods shed. They also intend to erect a storage shed. The tanks to be used will hold 5000 gallons of oil. A representative of the company is here for the purpose of erecting pumping depots with the object of distributing the company's oil. The depot has been so arranged that oil which is conveyed here in specially constructed railway tank waggons can be discharged direct into storage tanks capable of holding 6400 gallons.

Saturday.

Yesterday Mr. Firth, secretary of the Coal Owners' Association, accompanied by the Chief Inspector of Coalfields in France, and also the manager of the Messageries Maritime Steamship Company, inspected the working of the local mines. The party left by the evening's train for Sydney.

Last night a public meeting was held at Balgownie, Alderman H. R. Murdoch presiding. It was originally intended to present Mr. G. A. Blanchard with an address for his labours in the township, both as teacher and citizen, but owing to that gentleman's death a few weeks ago the presentation took the form of a handsome in memoriam address to Mrs. Blanchard. The ladies of Balgownie presented her with a silver hot-water kettle.

The Ramsay Shield was presented to the Balgownie squad as the winners of the competition at the late school sports, by Inspector Thomas. Master F. Blanchard received the shield on behalf of the squad. All the teachers from Mount Kembla to Bulli were present.

Last night an electric pump was started at Mount Pleasant Colliery, and worked with great success, the water in the mine being lower by several inches in a few hours.

The examination in connection with the Wollongong Technical College pass list for 1901 is as follows:—

Coal-mining.—First year: Honours—Isaac Scobie, J. G. Hutton, Henry Jubb, J. T. Rowe. First grade: W. E. Jones, J. Flannagan, Thomas Street, Frank Smith, Thomas Bissell, Daniel Hotchkiss. Second grade: William Nelson, Clifford Palfreyman, James Emmery, Matthew Gay, Evan Davis, T. Hughes, J. Gibson, S. H. Warburton, F. H. Flemming, J. Hotchkiss, W. Hay, D. Munro, D. G. Cook, J. Buckley, J. Powell, J. A. Barton, Willis Walker, W. Tubman, C. H. Biggar, C. Thornton, A. York, A. Frost. Honours stage: Alexander Millen. Mine-surveying.—First year: Honours—Daniel Hotchkiss. First grade: J. G. Hutton, W. E. Jones, J. S. Rowe, Henry Jubb, Thomas Bissell, J. Gibson.

BROKEN HILL, Friday.

The truckers on the zinc plant, Central Mine, gave some little trouble, and this morning a number were paid off. These endeavoured to coerce the others, but unsuccessfully, to knock off work. The places of those discharged were quickly filled, and only slight inconvenience was caused.

J. Gemmell, a mill hand at the Proprietary, narrowly escaped with his life this afternoon. One of the hydraulic lifts came down on Gemmel, and but for the timely assistance of another workman he must have been crushed to death. As it was he sustained a broken rib, a severe scalp wound, and a bruised back.

At the annual meeting of the athletic league last night Mr. John Souter was elected president, and Mr. Groth vice-president.

Saturday.

The street trams are now almost ready for starting. One of the motors had its first trial trip over the line early this morning, and worked satisfactorily.

CARCOAR, Friday.

A ball in aid of the School of Arts was held on Wednesday and was a success.

COOMA, Friday.

A communication has been received by the municipal council from the department stating that the matter of asphalting the Cooma railway station is under consideration, and will be carried out when truck service is available.

DUBBO, Friday.

At the courthouse to-day the Mayor (Mr. J. A. Ryan) presented Constable Stear, who has been removed to Sydney, with a set of silver carvers in morocco cases.

FORBES, Saturday.

The voting for the election of two members of the progress committee took place to-day as follows:—Pymont, 253; Baily, 165; Buttriss, 137; M'Grath, 98.

GULGONG, Friday.

The tanks at the Public school are dry, and children have to fetch their supplies.

INVERELL, Friday.

The body of Albert Fischer, who was drowned in the river on Wednesday, was encased in a leaden coffin and taken to Sydney to-day. All the business places closed while the cortege, which was a lengthy one, was proceeding to the railway station. The band played the Dead March in "Saul."

Mr. Fridham, Government Engineer, has been visiting the various sites for the proposed water supply. He formulated a scheme and placed it before the aldermen to-day and it met with their approval. The plans when completed will be officially laid before the municipal council.

KATOOMBA, Sunday.

At the Bashford Hotel, Charles Bishoff, a groom, was stabbed with a carving-knife in the left breast. Dr. Watkins attended the sufferer. The police have made an arrest.

LITHGOW, Saturday.

In regard to the local coal trade a further loss of shipping orders is reported, owing to the insufficient supply of hopper waggons. The loss this week so far reported is 1250 tons. The truck difficulty and the block of traffic on the railway are still a very serious handicap to the coal trade.

MOLONG, Friday.

The Minister for Works has declined to construct a weir at Dilga.

In reply to the application of the Cargo Progress Association urging the construction of the proposed German's Hill deviation on the Orange-Cargo road, the Minister for Works has intimated that the improvement to the grade of the existing road cannot be sanctioned, and until the opposition to the proposed deviation is withdrawn no action can be taken in regard thereto.

The Minister for Works has been invited to open the Cumnock Pastoral and Agricultural Show on March 20. The association has selected several expert judges from a list forwarded by the P. and A. Societies' Association.

MUSWELLBROOK, Friday.

A meeting of the members of the fire brigade and residents interested in the organisation was held in the School of Arts last night, the Mayor (Mr. E. C. Brecht) presiding. Some alterations in the regulations to ensure periodical practice by the firemen were adopted; and the election of officers resulted as follows:—Captain, Mr. R. Withycombe; first lieutenant, Mr. William Gentleman; second lieutenant, Mr. A. A. Roberts; superintendent salvage corps, Mr. F. Budden; hon. treasurer, Mr. A. Southcombe; hon. secretary, Mr. P. Healy. It was notified at the meeting that a Government grant of £50 had been made to the brigade.

ORANGE, Friday.

A representative gathering of local men took place at the Royal Hotel last night, when a presentation of an address and a set of field glasses was made to Mr. H. A. Crouch, district surveyor, and a bracelet was presented to Mrs. Crouch, prior to their departure for England on six months' leave of absence.

QUEANBEYAN, Saturday.

The installation of W.M. Bro. J. Gale, Masonic Lodge St. Andrew, Queanbeyan, took place yesterday. The installing officer was Bro. A. H. Bray, Wor. Grand Secretary. About 40 attended a banquet.

TENTERFIELD, Saturday.

The Railway Commissioners were here last night. Mr. Lee introduced a deputation to them, and a request for extra assistance at the goods shed and a telephone at the railway station and the post-office and other requirements were granted.

TUMBERUMBA, Saturday.

The gold escort left here yesterday for Adelong with 52oz. of gold.

A very successful benefit concert to Miss Bergin was held here on Wednesday evening.

TUMUT, Friday.

Troopers Rowland, Eggleton, Godfrey, Harris, J. Meecham, and H. L. Reid, of this district, re-enlisted in the Federal Contingent. A. Reid and C. Greer have also joined.

Mr. Fleming, who has control of the municipal water works, arrived yesterday to prepare for the undertaking. The reservoir will have a capacity of 200,000 gallons.

WINDSOR, Friday.

On Saturday last, at the parade, Captain Paine, O.C.A. (Windsor) Company 2nd Regiment, presented Lance-corporal Edward Butler and Private Patrick Molloy with long service medals. Captain Hall (N.S.W. Lancers) was present. The local band attended.

WEST MAITLAND, Saturday.

A fire broke out in a paddock at Fishery Creek on Thursday evening, and destroyed about 50 yards of a wooden drain, which was built to convey the surface water from Telarah and Campbell's Hill into a creek. The damage is estimated about £200.

SYDNEY JEWISH AID SOCIETY.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The sixth annual meeting of the Sydney Jewish Aid Society was held yesterday morning in the vestry of the Synagogue, Elizabeth-street. There was a large attendance. The chair was occupied by Mr. Aaron Blashki (president).

The secretary (Mr. Leon L. Cohen) read the annual report, which showed a marked development of the institution's operations during the past year; also that the opportunity of obtaining loans afforded to deserving co-religionists in temporary need had been availed of by a number which was only once exceeded since the formation of the society. As these loans were granted free of interest or any other charge, it will be readily understood that industrious borrowers fully enjoyed the advantages derivable from such an acquisition of capital. The liberal terms of repayment provided by the laws of the society also encouraged borrowers to regularly pay the instalments of their loans, and thus honourably free themselves from their liability. They were so enabled to maintain their independence and allow the funds to be again and again utilized for the same beneficent purpose. The report further pointed out that such assistance as this society afforded did much in many instances to enable fathers of families and others to tide over periods of distress and to maintain their respectability. There were instances in which men who, after enjoying the benefits of the society's loans, had in turn made such progress as had enabled them to be accepted as satisfactory sureties for others. In addition to this there was the pleasing fact that several borrowers had tendered the expressions of their gratitude for the timely assistance rendered them by the grants of amounts sufficiently large to prove of substantial benefit. It was also noted that a more general knowledge of the institution's aims had tended to the decrease of applications from those whose needs rendered them more fitted for the relief derivable from the ordinary philanthropic society.

The balance-sheet showed a substantial credit balance.

The president moved the adoption of the report and balance-sheet. In doing so he dealt at length with the value of such a society as this, and pointed out the good work it was doing.

Mr. Justice Cohen seconded the adoption of the report and balance-sheet, which was agreed to.

The following were elected as the office-bearers for the ensuing year:—President, Mr. Aaron Blashki, J.P.; vice-presidents (for life), Mrs. L. W. Levy, Messrs. George J. Cohen, Norman S. Cohen, David Cohen, Mark Mitchell, P. C. Mitchell, Albert H. Nathan, L. R. Wilson, Louis Phillips (Messrs. Aaron Blashki and C. Nettheim also qualified for this position); honorary treasurer, Mr. C. Nettheim; trustees, His Honor Mr. Justice Cohen, Messrs. Norman S. Cohen and Mark Mitchell; life-governors, Mrs. D. Mitchell, His Honor Mr. Justice Cohen, Messrs. Moritz Gotthelf, J.P., L. E. Isaacs, J.P., and Isadore Mitchell; elective members of council, the Revs. A. B. Davis and J. H. Landau, Messrs. Coleman P. Hyman, Jacob A. Moss, Alfred Shackel, J.P., G. L. Blashki, and Elias Green; honorary solicitor, Mr. Percy J. Marks, B.A.; honorary auditors, Messrs. S. M. Steenbhom and L. M. Phillips; honorary secretary, Mr. Leon L. Cohen.

THE RECENT FIRES AT BANKSTOWN AND BELMORE.

The fires which ravaged the district extending from South Bankstown, through Belmore, skirting George's River, and passing over parts of Canterbury to Hurstville and Kogarah on Thursday, were got under without damage to property other than that already recorded. Fences, grass, and vegetation along the line of fire have been blackened or demolished, and the places devastated present a scene of desolation. The people whose houses had been threatened or destroyed had by Sunday made preparations for temporary habitation, and furniture which had been with difficulty rescued was put under cover. The more fortunate folk whose residences were untouched showed much compassion for those who had been rendered homeless, and this feature of the fire was the most pleasing to record.

The firemen, who had worked so hard to save threatened places, had found considerable difficulty in laying long lines of hose owing to the scanty water supplies in many places, on account of the danger of destruction of the hose by the fire in the grass and undergrowth. The men of the suburban and city brigades engaged were tired out with the incessant work during the height of the fire, and gladly welcomed the rest of Saturday and Sunday, by which time matters were reported quiescent and the district free from danger.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—"Workmen's compensation is regulated by an out of date statute among us. An endeavour to bring our law up to British lines did not succeed, possibly because opinions differ rather materially about the success or otherwise of the British law."

The above quotation from your leader of yesterday deserves some notice. There is little doubt that the present law has been of more benefit to the speculative solicitor than to the unfortunate workman or his relatives.

I am, however, somewhat surprised to note the statement to the effect that opinions differ "materially" about the success of the British law.

Since its passage in 1897 France and several European nations have adopted it. Canada and several American States have followed suit. In the Southern Hemisphere, in New Zealand and South Australia, the Act is working most smoothly.

The bill has passed through the Lower House in Western Australia, and is a Government measure in Queensland. Such progress in its adoption by great nations and Governments is inconsistent with the existence of serious doubts as to its success.

It is true that the uncertain phraseology of the English Act has given rise to some litigation, but this may be obviated here by the use of clearer terms.

It is true also that the Act in England produced an increasing number of claims recorded; but this proves nothing, because, prior to its becoming law, the employer was under no obligation to "report" accidents.

As a matter of fact the claims reached their maximum in 1899.

Last year the numbers were considerably below the average.

Almost any law is better than the present "out-of-date statute," which is a constant inducement to certain classes of solicitors to indulge in profitless speculative actions.

I am, &c.,
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February 6.

[In 1899 the Hon. C. G. Heydon brought in three Workmen's Compensation Bills in the Legislative Council. The first two were withdrawn by reason of informality or objection, and when the third was proceeded with it was negatived on the second reading by 19 votes to 12. Mr. Heydon explained that his bill was framed upon Mr. Chamberlain's measure of 1897. In reply, Mr. Brown and Mr. Kater showed that there was decided objection in many quarters to the English Act. Mr. Brown quoted from the Melbourne "Argus" ("Hansard," November 21, 1899), to the effect that for the six months July-December, 1897, prior to the enforcement of the English Act, the cases of accident reported were 18,125; for the six months July-December, 1898, when the Act was in force, the number was 28,882. Another quotation read by the hon. member was this:—"From the evidence obtained of the working of the Act during the short time it has been in existence in England it is very evident that it has far from realised the anticipations of its promoters. It has certainly not tended to reduce the number of accidents, but on the contrary offers a premium to carelessness. So far from reducing litigation the evidence shows that under this Act it has vastly increased, and whilst placing a heavy burden upon the employer it is very doubtful if any practical benefit has accrued to the class of workmen whom it was intended to benefit." So far then we may say that there is material difference of opinion about the success of the English Act.—Ed. S.M.H.]

"If the blood is diseased the body is diseased."—Remember that the blood, whether pure or impure, circulates through the organs of the human body—Lungs, Heart, Stomach, Kidneys, Brain. If it is laden with poisonous matter it spreads disease on its course. In cases of Scrofula, Scurvy, Eczema, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples, and Sores of all kinds the effects of Clarke's Blood Mixture are marvellous. Thousands of wonderful cures have been effected by it. Clarke's Blood Mixture is sold everywhere at 2s 9d per bottle. Beware of worthless imitations and substitutes.—Advt.

LAW REPORT.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7.

(Before Judge Rogers and juries.)

Mr. W. L. Merewether, Crown Prosecutor.

ALLEGED BREAKING AND ENTERING.

James Rivers, Frederick Vallery, and Walter Donovan pleaded not guilty to a charge of having on December 18, at Glebe, broken and entered the shop of Albert Edward Grace and another, and stolen 25 scarfs, 52 collarettes, 89 handkerchiefs, and 98 yards of valuable lace, the property of Messrs. Grace Brothers. Mr. E. R. Abigail appeared for the defence of Donovan. Rivers and Vallery were undefended. The Crown case was that Constables Pauling and Evans having been informed by a tramway ticket examiner named J. Wilkins of certain suspicious circumstances watched a man whom Pauling identified as Donovan at the back of the church at the corner of Parramatta and Glebe roads. Donovan was joined by Rivers, and in consequence of the information conveyed to them the arrest of the two men was sought. Constable Pauling called upon the two men to stand, but they would not do so. Revolver shots were fired by the constables, and after a long chase over fences and across allotments Rivers was run to a standstill by Constable Pauling, and arrested by that officer. Constable Keogh discovered Vallery in hiding near Grace Brothers' store. Other constables took part in the affair and both Donovan and Vallery were arrested with much difficulty, the latter being chased over roofs of houses and from yard to yard, over fences till captured in a yard not far from Grace Brothers' establishment.

During the evidence of Constable Keogh, who detailed the pursuit of two men whom he had not identified as the accused, over fences, his Honor said: "Whatever the result of this case may be—I am not referring of course to the accused—I think the conduct of the police in this case most satisfactory." Mr. Abigail took exception to the remark. His Honor explained that he was careful to separate his words from the facts as affecting the accused, and repeated that the actions of the police had been praiseworthy. The jurymen generally nodded their appreciation of the remark.

For the defence Rivers said that he was near the scene on the night in question, and that he had run away after hearing shots fired. Vallery admitted being on the roof of Messrs. Grace Brothers' establishment for illegal purposes, but said that the other two accused were not acquainted with his actions. He denied committing any theft, and said that he did not know Donovan. Donovan gave evidence on oath to the effect that on the night of the alleged robbery he had gone to the Tivoli Theatre. He was in bed when the occurrence was said to have taken place, and knew nothing of it when arrested next morning.

In answer to his Honor, Donovan said that he did not remember what songs were sung at the theatre that night, or who sang them.

The taking of evidence was prolonged by cross-examination until 6.30 p.m., and the Court then adjourned to 7.45 p.m., when Mr. Abigail addressed the jury and his Honor summed up. The jury retired at 9.25 p.m. to consider their verdict. At 10.20 p.m. they returned into Court with a verdict of guilty against Rivers and Vallery, and not guilty in favour of Donovan. The foreman said that the jury entertained a doubt in the case of Donovan, and had decided to give him the benefit of it. Donovan was discharged. Rivers was sentenced to four years' penal servitude, and Vallery to five years' penal servitude.

His Honor again congratulated Constables Pauling, Keogh, and Evans, and other constables upon the plucky arrests they had effected, and directed Inspector Hinds to bring the matter under the notice of his superior officers. Mr. Merewether concurred in the praise of the constables.

The Court adjourned till Monday at 10 a.m.

LAW NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—Monday, February 10.

Master's Office.—Before the Deputy Registrar in Equity.—At 11 a.m.: Taylor and others v. Osborne and others, to tax costs; same v. same, ditto. At 2 p.m.: Re will of H. Bennett, deceased, to tax costs. At 3 p.m.: Sneddon v. Kyle, to settle minutes of order.
In Equity.—Before his Honor the Chief Judge in Equity.—At 10 a.m.: Pastoral Finance Association v. the Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners, motion for injunction; Donnithorne v. Richard, motion to continue injunction; in re will of John Carr (part heard); Matthews v. Gordon, originating summons; Anderson v. Neale, motion for decree on admissions; Blue v. Dibbs, originating summons; Price and others v. Price, motion for directions, &c.; Cowper v. M'Donald Gold Mines, motion for decree; re will of Charles O'Connell, deceased, and Trustee Act, petition for payment out.
Before his Honor the Judge in Bankruptcy, at 11.30 a.m.—Motions under section 34: Re John Rapson, and re Richard Chapman. Appeal from Registrar's decision allowing objections to be filed: Re Graham Harvie, ex parte Charles Thomas Brockhoff.
Before the Registrar in Bankruptcy, at 11 a.m.—Hearing of creditors' petition: Joseph Booker v. Wilhelmina E. Maclardy. Examination under section 30: Re David D'Arcy.
Darling Harbour Wharfs Resumption Cases.—To be taken in No. 2 Jury Court, King-street.—Robert Reid and Co., Limited, v. the Minister, part heard; Reid v. same; Haymarket Permanent Land, Building, and Investment Company, Limited, v. same, same v. same.
For Judgment.—Borough of Balmain v. Mort's Dock and Engineering Company, Limited, in re Charles C. Buzzard and another and Stamp Duties Act, Lukey v. Sydney Harbour Trust Commissioners, in re arbitration between New Pinnacle Group S.M. Company and the Luhrig Coal and Ore Dressing Appliances, Limited, Harris v. Carruthers, same v. same.
Motions on Notice.—Ex parte W. G. G. Lucas (prohibition).
Motions, &c.—Ex parte William Porter, prohibition; ex parte James Murray and others, prohibition; ex parte Leonard Munroe, prohibition; ex parte David T. Burt, prohibition; ex parte J. G. Lawler, prohibition; ex parte George Dale, prohibition; ex parte J. St. Leger Kynaston, quo warranto; ex parte Ernest A. Osselman, prohibition; ex parte Frank Schuck, prohibition.
Motions Nisi for New Trial.—Brown v. Citizens' Life Assurance Company, Limited, Axtens and another v. A. Shadler, Limited, Hodge v. Rudd, Hart and another v. the Minister for Works.
New Trial Motions.—Burkitt v. Fairfax and others, Mellor v. Parker, Toohey and another v. Ptolemy, Helmore v. Simons, Cooper v. Gardiner, O'Keefe v. Malone, same v. same.
Demurrers and Special Cases.—In re William B. Thompson (appellant) and William Timmins (respondent), Police v. Black, same v. Griffiths, same v. Phillips, Taft v. the Pharmacy Board of New South Wales, Davies v. Tutton, A.J.S. Bank, Limited, v. Hogan and others, same v. Meldrum, Potter v. Smith.
District Court Appeal.—Fish and another v. Henley.
Equity Appeal.—The Great Cobar Copper Mining Company, Limited, and Companies Act, 1899.
Chamber List.—At 9.30 a.m.: For judgment, ex parte Hennessy; ex parte John Pughe, prohibition; Hofer v. Moss, to set aside ca. re.
Before the Chief Clerk.—Massey Harris Co. v. Clark, 11; Fairfull v. Fairfull (issues), 2.30; Grant v. Grant (issues), 2.45.

DISTRICT COURT.—Monday, February 10.
(Before his Honor Acting-Judge Harris, at 10.15 a.m.)
Davis v. the Century Gold-mining Company, No Liability (part heard), Commissioners of Taxation v. Fraser, Dalrymple v. Asher, Dalwood and Co., Limited, v. Marshall, Fitzgerald v. M'Evoy and others, Dalzell v. Dobbie, Siegel v. Morgan, Melliday v. Farnell and another, Doyle v. Schneider, Flanagan and others v. Sona, Kirby and another v. Gamford, Summerhayes v. Boyd and another.
Note.—The list will be called over punctually at 10.15 a.m.
(Before the Registrar in No. 2 Court.)
Union Finance Association, Limited, v. Fisher, 10.30 a.m.; Farr v. Benson, 10.40 a.m.; Smith v. Taylor, 10.50 a.m.; Brennan v. Williams, 11 a.m.; Kauri Timber Company, Limited, v. Knapman, 11.10 a.m.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.—Monday, February 10.
Florence Clifford, unlawfully using instrument with intent; John Fearish, robbery.
Notice.—Only the witnesses in the cases set down for trial need be in attendance at the Court.

QUARTER SESSIONS.—Monday, February 10.
William Brown, robbery; Edward Smith, horse-stealing and larceny, three charges; Thomas Wilson, housebreaking; Michael West and George Webster, burglary.

TYPOGRAPHICAL ASSOCIATION.

The adjourned annual meeting of the New South Wales Typographical Association was continued in the Trades' Hall on Saturday evening, Mr. J. W. Spicer presiding. Mr. G. A. Jones withdrew his proposals for the alteration of certain rules. Mr. J. W. Ratcliffe moved,—"That in the opinion of this meeting it is desirable that the association be registered as an industrial union of employees in accordance with the Industrial Arbitration Act, and the board of management be authorised to make provision for the alteration of rules necessary to comply with registration under the Act." The motion was seconded by Mr. G. C. Peacock, and, after an explanation by the secretary of the Act and rules requiring necessary amendment, the motion was carried unanimously. A resolution, moved by Mr. H. E. Holland, and seconded by Mr. A. Acheson, proposing to censure the executive of the Sydney Labour Council for their method of settling the tailoresses' strike at Anthony Hordern and Sons', was negatived.

THE AUSTRALIAN MUSEUM.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—In answer to "Australian Patriot's" letter in your issue of the 7th instant, I differ with him in regard to the liberality of your Government in thinking that £407 3s 6d is an inadequate amount to spend yearly on the collection of Australian specimens; a capable collector sent out yearly at a cost of £407 should make a haul of specimens far greater than the present building could accommodate when set up, but I presume that specimens are more intended for exchanging with foreign things than for exhibits. This item for collecting specimens is only a small one of the amount yearly contributed towards the museum by your legislators. They contributed in 1900, in all, no less a sum than about £6411 to the institution, as shown in the Estimates of October 4, 1900, which I for one—I may be wrong—consider a "generous amount" for this prosperous State to devote for its State Museum.

In my letter in your issue of the 1st instant the expression "as to the preponderance of foreign over Australian exhibits" is not used, nor is the statement I am said to have used "that a record should be kept of all donations, and the same duly labelled when exhibited with the name of the donor." By my reference to valuable donations from donors being recorded I wished to imply that such donations should be placed on a record board placed in a prominent position in the institution, just as valuable donations are placed on record boards in your hospitals, University, blind, and other institutions devoted for present and future benefits to the community; but I may explain that my remark was meant to apply to any donation instead of to funds given to purchase specimens or donations given on a large scale.

I am, &c.,
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Funerals.

PURCHASE.—The Funeral of the late Mr. SAMUEL PURCHASE will leave Omrah Private Hospital, Manly, THIS (Monday) MORNING, at 8.45 o'clock, and Circular Quay at 10 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery.
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HOLT.—The Funeral of the late FREDERICK SAMUEL ELLIS HOLT will move from the Congregational Church, Pitt-street, Sydney, THIS (Monday) AFTERNOON, at 1 o'clock (after funeral service, which commences at 12.30 p.m.), for Sydney Railway Station, and thence by funeral train, 2.10 p.m., to Sutherland Cemetery.
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SHERIDAN.—The Relatives and Friends of Mrs. SARAH SHERIDAN, of 30 View-street, Annandale, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved HUSBAND, Thomas, which will move from the North Sydney Morgue, Circular Quay, THIS (Monday) AFTERNOON, at 1.15, for Necropolis.
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SHERIDAN.—The Friends of Messrs. JAMES and WILLIAM SHERIDAN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved BROTHER, Thomas, which will move from the North Sydney Morgue, Circular Quay, THIS (Monday) AFTERNOON, at quarter past 1 o'clock, for Necropolis.
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SHERIDAN.—The Friends of Mr. PETER FINDLAY, of Annandale, are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved BROTHER-IN-LAW, Thomas Sheridan, which will move from the North Sydney Morgue, Circular Quay, THIS (Monday) AFTERNOON, at quarter past 1 o'clock, for the Necropolis.
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BERNHARDT.—The Friends of Mrs. MARCUS BERNHARDT, CHARLES, DAVID, HENRY, ELIAS, JOHN, and ADA BERNHARDT are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved HUSBAND and FATHER to leave the residence, THIS DAY, at 1.30, and from the Mortuary 2.15. L. SAMUELS.

TRAVELLERS' HOME LODGE, Grand United Order of Oddfellows.—The Members of the above Lodge are requested to attend the Funeral of our late Bro. M. BERNHARDT, which will leave 175 Macquarie-street South, THIS MONDAY, at 1.30 p.m., for Necropolis. ED. FRANCIS, N.G. A. E. SWADLING, Secretary.

PAYNE.—The Friends of the late ROBERT SAMUEL PAYNE (late railway guard) are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to move from the Redfern Railway Station, THIS DAY, at 2.10, for Waverley Cemetery.
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Tel., 1003. and at Railway Bridge, Newtown.

GRAHAM.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. ANGUS GRAHAM are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved SON, Percy William; to move from the residence of Mr. Mitchinson, Ross Villa, Young-street, Croydon, THIS (Monday) AFTERNOON, at 2.15, for Necropolis.
F. W. HARTLEY, Undertaker,
Tel., 184 Newtown. 301 King-street, Newtown.

THE Friends of Mrs. CUFFE and FAMILY are requested to attend the Funeral of their late dearly beloved DAUGHTER and SISTER, Aline Bolger; to move from St. Vincent's Hospice, THIS (Monday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30, for the R. C. Cemetery, Waverley.
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BOLGER.—The Funeral of Mrs. JOHN P. BOLGER will leave St. Vincent's Hospice, Darlinghurst, THIS (Monday) afternoon at 2.30 for the R.C. Cemetery, Waverley.
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DITFORT.—The Relatives and Friends of Mrs. MARY DITFORT are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late beloved HUSBAND, Joseph; which will leave the Sydney Hospital (Domain entrance) THIS (Monday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30 o'clock, for Waverley Cemetery.
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MYERS.—The Funeral of JULIA AGNES, dearly beloved WIFE of Mr. M. F. Myers, will leave St. Mary's Cathedral, THIS (Monday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30, for the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Waverley.
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CANT.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. CHARLES C. CANT are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved SON, James David; to leave their residence, 45 Reynolds-street, Balmain, TO-MORROW (Tuesday) MORNING, at 8 o'clock, for the Necropolis, via Mortuary station.
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TUNKS.—The Friends of Mrs. CHARLES TUNKS are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of her late dearly beloved HUSBAND, Charles; to move from his late residence, Harris-street, Harris Park, Parramatta, TO-MORROW (Tuesday), at 3.30, for St. John's Cemetery, Parramatta.
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